URCH GONE.

it House of Worship at Burned to the Ground.

1500; INSURANCE, $1400.

e Destroyed in the Night—dy Knew It Until This Morning.

dsome Methodist church one a mile west of Emery was stroyed by fire at two o'clock ing. The edifice was almost the ground before anybody the fire, and then it was too e anything. The loss is plac ; insurance, $1400.

rch was erected six years ago seating capacity of 200 or 300. is Rev. J. G. Jeffries, of De- vices were held in the church clock Sunday afternoon, when fires in the stoves. It is sup. the church took fire from a ue or from live coals which fallen out of the stoves. bable that the church will be ev. C. Galesener, the presiding visit Emery at once to view ion.

LINOIS BUSINESS.

from Superintendent Durfee's Report.

ate Superintendent of Insur issued his annual statement, the standing of fire and marine companies doing business in the close of business Decem- 95. The business was quite us, and was as follows:

ht joint stock companies of wrote risks amounting to $91, received premiums amounting 847; paid losses amounting to losses incurred, $598,993; in 318,580.

joint stock companies of other ote risks amounting to $737, received premiums amounting ; paid losses amounting to ; incurred losses amounting 108; income, $94,448,360.

rty-five foreign companies with States branches wrote risks g to $346,327,408; premiums amounted to $3,729,845; losses ounted to $1,905,221; losses in ere $2,210,155; income, $49,068,

n mutual companies of this ote risks amounting to $8,236, ived premiums amounting to paid losses amounting to $159, urred losses amounting to $199, me, $686,493.

mutual companies of other ote risks amounting to $13,214, ived premiums amounting to losses paid, $137,135; losses in- 167,169; income, $2,875,000.

nd total aggregate shows risks amounted to $1,105,264,958; s received, $12,907,217; losses 75,091; losses incurred, $7,564, me, $147,068,506; net surplus, 3.

unerals Held on Sunday.

neral of Mrs. Mary Kramer was day afternoon at 2 o'clock from Methodist church. The ser- e conducted by Rev. D. F. The ladies of the W. R. C., of e deceased was a member, at- e funeral in a body. The bur- t Greenwood cemetery. The ers were Joseph Songer, H. F. Orge W. Scovill, H. Post, Nor- gle and C. M. Imboden.

'clock Sunday afternoon the f Mrs. Oscar Bonifield was held First Baptist church. Rev. we officiated and the burial was nwood cemetery. The pall were W. T. Davis, John Owens, Bachman, E. L. Foulke, H. G. d J. W. Carter.

neral of Ivy, the 2 year old of Mr. and Mrs. John Ritter, at 2 p. m. Sunday from the urch at Boody.

Jubilee Singers Please a Large Audience.

ayton Jubilee Singers appeared nes' hall, Rockford, last evening large audience. The program was choice and given in excellent , was lengthy and varied, occu- r two hours, but the audience t throughout and would gladly ened longer. No company of n singers has ever given a bet- rt here, and those in the audi- night will hope to hear Slay- ilee Singers again.—*The Morn-*

. A. Star Course, Opera House, night. Reserved seats Tues- Admission, 50c.

DIED.

day, February 15, at the family resi- orth Folk street, the infant daughter Mrs. Fred Koslufski.

al was held from the residence at 2 y. Services were conducted by Rev. stor of the German Lutheran church. ial was at Greenwood cemetery.

Parties.

aud Dill will entertain her morrow evening at her home Water street.

home on East Cerro Gordo esday evening Mr. and Mrs. well will give a party to their

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AN AWFUL DISASTER.

Burning of a Factory Building at Troy, N. Y.

UNKNOWN NUMBER OF PERSONS KILLED

Some by Suffocation and Cremation in the Building, and Some by Throwing Themselves from Fifth-Story Windows to the Ground.

Scenes of Wild Panic in the Doomed Factory and Heartrending Agony Among Anxious Relatives in the Streets.

TROY, N. Y., Feb. 18.—There is mourning in the homes of the Troy collar girls to-night. An untimely and fearful death overtook many of them late this afternoon. Working girls whose days' labor was almost over were cut down almost without warning, by fire. Three girls jumped to their death from a burning building. Distracted, agonized mothers wailed for the return of their daughters to-night and they wailed in vain.

Bright pretty collar girls who had left their homes in the morning full of life and health and spirit, never lived to tell that tale of agony, torture and death. Their poor, charred bodies are now resting under tons and tons of red hot embers, stone and brick. Identity even when found, will probably be impossible.

The scene was one that Trojans will never forget. It is a black page in the city's history, unparalleled in its century of existence.

The fire started in J. Stetheimer & Co.'s shirt-waist factory, and Van Zandt & Jacobs' collar factory, situated in the same building at 5:30 o'clock. There were 300 girls at work in the establishment.

The flames spread so rapidly that the narrow stairway which was the only exit outside of the fire escapes in the rear, was almost cut off and during the panic that followed five employes jumped from the windows, three of them to their death and many others were injured.

It is believed by everybody, even the proprietors and employes in the shops, that about twenty girls were overcome before they reached the street, and were burned up in the building. People who were familiar with the interior of the building, and knew how limited were the means of escape, place the total loss at at least thirty.

The scene of the catastrophe was at the corner of Broadway and River street, a portion of the city characterized for its immense buildings. The structure is known as the Burdette building, is six stories in height and was occupied by J. Stetheimer & Co., whose factory was situated on the fifth floor; Van Zandt & Jacobs, manufacturers of collars and cuffs, who occupied the three floors below, and a restaurant and saloon on the ground floor. There were also several other minor enterprises carried on in the building.

The fire which ended so disastrously, started in the fifth story, in the part occupied by Stetheimer & Co. About 5:25 o'clock this afternoon a little boy attempted to light the gas in what is known as the cutting department. This is the shirt-waist cutting department. He climbed on the cutting table and lighted the gas. Then he threw the match, which was still burning, to the floor and it ignited a pile of scrap cambric. In an instant there was a crackling of fierce and uncontrolable flames and the room was filled with smoke.

Miss Lillie Krieger, a girl, realizing the eminence of the peril, at the risk of her own life, rushed through the different departments of the building and warned the employes of the danger. Nothing but the bravery of a volunteer fireman saved her from death.

When the employes in the fifth story realized that the fire was beyond control, and was likely to prove disastrous, a scene of great panic immediately ensued.

The girls rushed about the room, some of them found their way down the stairway, others succumbed to the dense smoke and sank to the floor and some jumped from the dizzy height of the river street windows to the pavement below.

About half of the girls who were employed on the top floor, fled to the fire escape and found their way to the ground in safety.

For 20 minutes after the fire started the scene was the most exciting ever witnessed in Troy.

During this time there was a continuous panic, and in the rush for a place of safety many were injured. The crush on the stairway was something frightful. About two hundred men and girls attempted to make their escape by this exit at the same time. Many were trampled underfoot, the ones who were in front were knocked from their feet and thrown to the landing and some are said to have been left unconscious on the stairway.

The majority of the employes finally reached the street, but they were so overcome with excitement that it was impossible to learn from them how many of them had been left in the building. Quite a number found their way out by means of the fire escapes. The scene was a most exciting one. The girls fairly threw themselves down the ladders to reach the ground quickly, and the firemen had their hands full in carrying the girls down the ladders from the terminus of the escape.

Probably the most heartrending scenes were those witnessed on the streets. The mothers and other relatives of the girls who were at work in the factory soon learned of the disaster and hurried to the scene. They gathered around the burning building, distracted with grief and fear, making inquiries for the loved ones. Some of them attempted to rush up into the burning building, and the officers and bystanders found it difficult to restrain them. A number of women were soon on their knees, on the ice-covered pavements, crying piteously to Heaven for assistance.

The spread of the flames was remarkable. There was a strong wind blowing at the time and in less time than it takes to tell it, the building was afire from top to bottom. Twenty streams of water seemed to have no effect and there was every indication, early in the evening, that the entire block would be consumed.

The fire extended into the big structure north, gutted it, and the Western Union also. It was not until four hours after the fire started that it was under control. The loss will reach $400,000. The women who were killed by jumping from the windows were almost unrecognizable when picked up, so fearfully were their heads crushed.

While the fire was raging in the Kenmore restaurant, Thomas Rosso, an Italian peanut vender, who kept a stand in front of the place, and who was inside, had a narrow escape from death. One of the huge timbers fell on him, and he was imprisoned in the ruins, with fire on every side. Officers Burke, Watson Guy and James Quinn went to his aid. More of the south wall fell in, and the policemen were each badly bruised and cut. Officer Burke was so badly injured that he was taken to his home. The others returned to duty. Young Quinn was struck on the chest by falling timbers and quite seriously injured. The Italian was rescued later and taken to the hospital. The firemen who were injured were caught under falling walls.

Superintendent of Police Willard made a careful investigation this evening, and reported shortly after midnight that it is almost certain that 12 girls were burned up in the building. He believes that there are many more who never escaped alive.

TROY, N. Y., Feb. 18.—Several fire engines to day are still pouring water on the smoking ruin of the Burnett building, destroyed last night with such destruction of life and property. If any victims are in the ruins it will be impossible to reach their bodies, probably for several days. No names as missing in addition to those given last night have been reported.

TROY, N. Y.,—Following is a list of the dead: Mrs. Katherine Kane, Mrs. Margaret Carroll, Mrs. Johanna Doyle. Missing—Mrs. Martin and Miss Millie Bradt. The whereabouts of others supposed to be missing have been accounted for. It is now believed that no bodies are in the ruins.

Terrific Mine Explosion.

GLENWOOD SPRINGS, Colo., Feb. 18.—A terrible explosion occurred in the Vulcan coal mine at New Castle this morning. Fifty-five miners are reported killed. No further particulars.

DENVER, Feb. 18.—The report from New Castle of the mine explosion with such terrible loss of life is confirmed at the offices of the Santa Fe road, which owns the mines. No further particulars

San Francisco Bank Robbed.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 18.—Three masked men entered the Market street bank at ten o'clock this morning and fired a shot at Cashier Hopkins, overpowered him and Book keeper Hayhurst and hustled them into the vault, then decamped with the gold on the cashier's counter amounting to eight hundred dollars and made good their escape.

Decided in Favor of the Sitting Member.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—House committee on elections No. 2, Mr. Johnson, of Indiana, chairman, yesterday decided the contest of Coleman against Buck, from the second Louisiana district in favor of Mr. Buck (dem.), the sitting member. The vote of the committee was unanimous.

To Suspend Further Issuance of Land Patents.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—In the senate yesterday Mr. Allen (pop., Neb.) offered a resolution requesting the secretary of the interior to suspend the further issuance of patents for lands of bond-aided railroads who are in arrears to the government until their accounts have been settled.

Over One Hundred Conversions.

VANDALIA, Ill., Feb. 18.—One of the most successful revivals in the history of the Methodist church in this city closed last night, after seven weeks' duration. There were 147 accessions to the church and over 100 professed Christianity. The meetings were under the leadership of Rev. Woodley, the pastor of the church.

John Dillon Chosen.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—John Dillon was elected chairman of the Irish parliamentary party to-day by a vote of 37 to 21.

Thereupon Thomas Sexton resigned his seat in parliament.

Banker Assassinated.

BARRIE, Ont., Feb. 18.—J. A. Srathy, manager of the Bank of Commerce, was fatally shot by an unknown assassin at his home this morning.

THE local coal trade at the Greenview mine for the month of January was the largest on record.

A THREATENED CYCLONE.

Corbett's and Fitzsimmon's Mouths Suddenly Fly Open.

EL PASO, Feb. 18.—When Fitzsimmons was shown an interview with Corbett in Chicago offering to fight him before any London athletic club, he exclaimed: "That suits me. I will fight Corbett anywhere at any thime. After I am through with Maher I will be ready to accommodate Corbett for all he wants and more too. I know I can lick him and I hope he will be in better condition than he was at Hot Springs."

More Wind.

EL PASO, Feb. 18.—Fitzsimmons this morning received a telegram from Jim Corbett saying he had heard that Fitzsimmons called him (Corbett) a cur, adding, "The next time I see you I will make you take it back as I did before." Julian answered the telegram for Fitzsimmons saying: "All right, chappie; get yourself in good condition; get down here quick; Fitzsimmons will put you out of existence the very next day after he places Maher among the has beens."

Sports Have Left El Paso.

EL PASO, Feb. 18.—Practically all the sporting men have left the city and only correspondents are now waiting for the big fight, which is to come off Friday. The sports are disgusted.

PEARL BRYAN'S SLAYERS.

Thought That no Attempt will be Made to Lynch Jackson and Walling.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 18.—If there is any intention to gather a mob at the jail this morning to lynch Jackson and Walling, the alleged murderers of Pearl Bryan, as indicated in advices had met yesterday, it was frustrated by the authorities by taking taking men to the city hall for examination two hours before the time the people supposed they would leave jail. A crowd of curious people gathered about the jail but there was no excitement.

A large crowd had gathered in the corridor leading to the court room but the guards kept them back. Before the prisoners were brought into the room the counsel had agreed on a continuance and it did not take long to postpone the case till the 27th. The prisoners were returned to the jail without incident.

THE CUBAN WAR.

Maceo Reported Defeated With Heavy Loss in Killed and Wounded.

MADRID, Feb. 18.—It is reported in an official telegram received from Havana that the insurgents under Maceo were defeated with the loss of fifty killed

Later.

HAVANA, Feb. 18.—In the last engagements between the Spanish troops and the insurgents under Jose Maceo, the latter's loss was seventy-three killed. Eighty were wounded.

The Danville Murder.

DANVILLE, Ill., Feb. 18.—John Johnson has confessed that John Schraal struck the fatal blow which killed Gus Klage, Saturday night.

He says he and Will Cavanaugh were playing cards when Schraal and Klage entered. A conspiracy was hatched to rob Klage, and in carrying it out Schraal killed the victim.

[Johnson is a colored man. He is the same party who over a year ago escaped from the county jail at Clinton, and was subsequently caught at St. Louis. He is one of the toughest characters known to the officers of the law. It is probable that he will swing for the Danville murder.]

McKinley Club.

MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 18.—At a meeting of the Mount Vernon Republican Club, held at the court house here the name of the organization was changed to the Mount Vernon McKinley Club and its membership increased to 300. Speeches were made by Gen. C. W. Pavey, Norman H. Moss, County Judge R. M. Farthing and others. Gen. Pavey one of the leaders of the anti-Tanner faction, introduced a resolution indorsing the candidacy of McKinley for President and providing for the use of all honorable means to secure his nomination and election and the selection of national delegates from this (the Twentieth) Congressional District who favor the same. This resolution was unanimously adopted by the club.

Opinions as to Nansen's Expedition.

CHRISTIANA, Feb. 18.—Dr. Nansen's secretary, Christophersen, referring to the opinion expressed by Professor Nordenjold that Nansen was carried with a drift only as far as 78 degrees north from which it seems hardly possible that he could have sledged the remainder of the distance to the pole, says in his opinion, it is quite possible that Nansen reached 85 degrees north in the Fram, whence he could easily have reached the pole in sledges. Christophersen claims that the condition of the ice there in 1893 was favorable for such an undertaking.

Democratic Politician Killed.

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 18.—At Bedford, a suburb of this city, this morning, a train ran into a cutter carrying Alfred Whitaker, chairman of the Democratic county central committee, and his stepsons, Dana and Don Cannon. Whitaker was hurled fifty feet against a fence and his brains dashed out. Dana Cannon is probably fatally hurt, and the driver, John Rich, is seriously hurt.

McKinley Club.

PAXTON, Feb. 18.—The Paxton McKinley club has 250 members, and will soon contain the name of every Republican and many Democratic voters in that place. There is no further use of denying that Illinois will make up its delegation to the St. Louis convention of a majority of McKinley followers.

No Senator Yet.

FRANKFORT, Ky., Feb. 18.—The ballot for United States senator to-day failed to elect.

IN CONGRESS.

Investigating Pacific Railroads—Newlands's Resolution in the House.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—In the senate to day, Gear, chairman of the committee on Pacific railways, said a misapprehension got out that the committee was only hearing the railroad officers and agents in its Pacific roads inquiry. Ample notice will be given to all who desire to appear. Allen (Pop., Neb.) said the patrons, merchants, etc., along the line had not been invited. Gear asked whom Allen wanted to have heard. Allen said the Farmers' Alliance of Nebraska had a large fund of information. Why was it not asked for? Gear said the committee had no official knowledge that such an organization existed. Allen said there was conspicuous evidence all over the country of its existence. "Why does not the Nebraska senator inform his alliance constituents of this hearing," responded Gear.

There was sharp controversy over the Peffer resolution to investigate the bond issue. Hill opposed the resolution, declaring the senate should not dignify the vague rumors as it did the charges that senators speculated in sugar stocks. When Hill said no charges have been made against the president or the secretary of the treasury. Stewart (Pop. Nev.) said he would make charges. There was an angry passage between Hill and Tillman (S. C.) because Hill refused to be interrupted. Tillman accused Hill of talking against time to kill the resolution. Without action the resolution went over.

In the house Newlands (Nev.) presented a resolution which was adopted, instructing the committee on ways and means to inquire what effect the difference of exchange between the gold and silver standard countries has on manufacturing industries in the United States. Newlands said the Pacific coast was threatened with the products of cheap labor in Oriental countries and an increase in the price of silver would overcome that advantage. The house then resumed the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill.

A FRENCH CRISIS.

Revolutionary Movement Imminent—Government May Abolish Senate.

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The *Pall-Mall Gazette's* correspondent says the political situation in France is growing more serious. He writes: "Those best informed consider the cabinet has a card up its sleeve which will cause considerable surprise. It is certain the ministery means to stay where it is and there is a possibility of a coup d'e-tat. The Government may declare its intention to govern without a senate. The chief obstacle to this is General Saussier, governor of Paris, and generalissimo in case of war. Saussier is opposed to the change and would take vigorous measures against any revolutionary movement. Henri Rochefort does not think the chances of overthrowing the senate amount to anything. One radical leader said to day: "If any pretender is willing to risk his life he would now have a chance of winning the game." Radicals show that they regard the situation as revolutionary by declaring the parliamentary bureau shall sit en permanence. Premier Bourgeois informed the members of the left that the government does not desire to remain, and he will not again raise the question of confidence in the house of deputies Thursday, preferring to wait further action by the senate.

MARRIED LAST NIGHT.

Daughter of Chief Justice Fuller Becomes Mrs. Theodore Beecher.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Chief Justice Fuller's daughter Catherine was married at 8 o'clock last night to Theodore Beecher at Buffalo, N. Y. The wedding was in St. John's church, opposite Lafayette square. The Rev. Dr. Mackay-Smith, pastor, and Bishop Lawrence, Boston, officiated. Friends were present from Chicago, Boston, New York and other cities. The bride was given away by her father.

Mrs. Joseph Manley.

AUGUSTA, Me., Feb. 18.—Mrs. Susan Manley, wife on Hon. Joseph Manley, of this city, died last evening of pneumonia. Mrs. Manley has been ill for two weeks, and on Friday her sickness took a serious turn, developing into pneumonia. Mr. Manley was sent for from Washington, and came home by special train. There were with Mrs. Manley when she died, her husband, her children and other immediate relatives.

Weather This Afternoon and Wednesday

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—Illinois: Fair to-night and Wednesday; westerly winds.

Iowa: Fair to-night and Wednesday; westerly winds.

Wisconsin: Fair to-night and Wednesday; brisk westerly winds.

South Dakota: Fair to-night and Wednesday; variable winds.

Nebraska: Fair, with no decided change in temperature.

Amelia Rives Chanler Married a Prince.

CHARLOTTESVILLE, Va., Feb. 18.—Amelia Rives Chanler and Prince Pierre Troubetskoy, the Russian nobleman, were married here this afternoon at the home of Col. Alfred Rives, father of the bride. The couple will remain here some time and then will go abroad and will live in London.

They Fought and Killed.

JACKSON, Ky., Feb. 18.—Carry Holly this morning shot and killed James Combs, and badly wounded Nick Combs in Breathitt county. Combs ambushed Holly because he shot and wounded Hiram Combs yesterday. Both opened fire on Holly which he returned with the above results.

Mrs. James Bryant.

PRINCETON, Ill., Feb. 18.—Mrs. James Bryant, wife of a nephew of the late William Cullen Bryant, died suddenly at her home near this city last evening. She was well known by reason of her literary abilities.

IOWA LEGISLATURE

After Express Companies—Important Bills Passed.

DES MOINES, Ia., Feb. 18.—Both houses passed bills shortening the time required for holding special elections. This was done to allow an early election of a successor to Dr. McClelland, the member of the house who died last week. Numerous petitions were received asking that express companies be placed under the control of the railway commission. Both houses passed resolutions favoring the establishment of a military park at Vicksburg.

In the senate bills were introduced by Druett, taxing express companies; also for inspection of portable boilers and licensing engineers by Doney, regulating appointment of superior judges. By Cheshire, governing reserve fund in savings banks. A bill was passed concerning sovereignity and jurisdiction of the state government; also Watterman's bill allowing township trustees to acquire property for the use of townships.

In the house the anti-cigarette bill was reported from the committee and made special order for to-morrow. Bills introduced: By Weaver, establishing health department in cities; by Tibbits, changing register laws to apply to towns over 3500 inhabitants. Bills passed: Allowing three mill tax levy for bridge purposes; for destruction of bodies of hogs dying from cholera; prohibiting sales of liquors by pharmacists. Adjourned.

CATTLEMEN IN WASHINGTON.

Demand the Restoration of Reciprocity Arrangements.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Cattlemen, headed by Samuel Allerton of Chicago, representing 90 per cent. of the stock producers of the country, appeared before ways and means committee and demanded their storation of our reciprocity arrangements with foreign countries. Since breaking off the arrangements, Mr. Allerton said, we have been shipping but 8,000 cattle a week, whereas formerly we shipped 25,000.

The hearing was somewhat shortened because of the neglect of live-stock representatives to prepare data on which to make argument. President Thompson of the Live Stock association will supply this data as soon as he can prepare it.

CUBA'S SUGAR CROP.

It Will Not Be Half That of Recent Years.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 18.—Consul-General Williams has submitted to the department of state tables prepared by a competent statistican showing that on Jan. 1 only 23,309 tons of sugar had been received at Havana of this year's crop, against 145,337 tons received at the same date last year.

United States Consul Hyatt, at Santiago, reports under date of Feb. 1 that the planters in that part of Cuba are now grinding the unburned portions of their cane. The work is much retarded because the hands can not be induced to work at night, fearing attack by the insurgents. If sugar making proceeds undisturbed the consul predicts a half crop in this district.

Murderer Confesses at a Revival.

CEDAR FALLS, Ia., February 18.—In the revival meetings which closed here last night a young man named N. H. Truesdell, who works in a furniture store, arose to his feet and confessed to having murdered a man named Shedan in a gambling row in Leadville, Colo., August 14, 1890. An investigation will be made. A message from Leadville, confirmed the confession, saying that Truesdell, the man who confessed at Cedar Rapids to the murder, killed William Shedan near here September 9, 1890. Shedan was not known here, but the body of an unknown man was found on September 9. There were no marks of identity, and it was declared a case of suicide. The confession of Truesdell clears up the mystery.

Harrison Refuses to be a Delegate.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 18.—The effort of Republican politicians to induce Mr. Harrison to go as a delegate at large to the Republican National convention at St. Louis has been met with a decided refusal by the Ex-President. The friends of Senator Allison are particularly anxious to have him on the floor of the convention to second the nomination of the favorite son of the Hawkeye state, whom he is understood to favor. It is intimated, however, that his refusal to serve as a delegate is based chiefly on the fear that his action might be construed into soliciting votes for himself rather than for Allison.

Body Found in a Field.

FREEPORT, Ill., Feb. 18.—The body of Orrin Skeel was found in a field three miles east of Lena at noon yesterday by a searching party that had been looking for him for three days. He was 90 years old, and left the house of his daughter on January 22 to visit a neighbor, and no more was seen of him until his remains were found. It is supposed that he lost his way and died from exposure. He was one of the early settlers of the county.

Greenup (Ill.) School House.

GREENUP, Ill., Feb. 18.—The public school building burned yesterday. The alarm of fire was given about half an hour before time for noon dismissal, but by the presence of mind of the teachers a panic was averted. The loss is $7,000, with $4,000 insurance.

South Dakota Republican Convention.

GRAND FORK, S. D., Feb. 18.—The Republican state central committee to-day called the state convention to send delegates to the national convention to meet at Fargo April 15th.

Earthquake in Cuba.

SANTIAGE DE CUBA, Feb. 18.—An earthquake preceded by alarming subterranean rumblings was experienced here this morning. The inhabitants are terror stricken.

TELEGRAPHIC NOTES.

—At Middlesboro, Ky., James Jackson was killed from ambush near a half-way house, and $1,000 taken from his pockets.

—The Brazilian steamer Lauro Sodre, from Glasgow to Para, foundered in the Irish sea. Only four of her crew were saved.

—A new national labor party was organized in Omaha, Neb., Sunday night, with "General" Kelley, of Industrial army fame, at its head.

—Alderman James R. Mann of the thirty-second ward in Chicago, was nominated for congress by the republicans of the first congressional district.

—New Jersey has a full-fledged candidate for the second place on the republican ticket to be nominated at St. Louis in the person of Garret A. Hobart.

—The trial of the notorious counterfeiters Wm. E. Brockway, W. E. Agner and Abbie L. Smith, was resumed in the federal court at Trenton, N. J., yesterday.

—The mysterious disappearance of J. L. Robbins from his boardinghouse in Chicago, has stirred up the police of that city and every effort is being made to find the missing man.

—A Mrs. Brokaw of Brooklyn, who, is described as a "society" woman, has gone into the cemetery business. On a piece of ground in the suburbs she is preparing a last resting place for pet dogs.

—The three-year-old daughter of William Wilson, of Canfield, O., while playing with sulphur matches, ate the heads and died from the effects of the poison within two hours of the occurrence.

—William E. Geil, the evangelist of Doylestown, Pa., Sunday night closed a two weeks' series of revival meetings at Poughkeepsie, N. Y. Fifty thousand people attended. Somewhat more than 1,000 of his hearers were converted.

—President Diaz of Mexico has tendered the friendly offices of his government to bring about a renewal of diplomatic relations between Great Britain and Venezuela, and particularly to settle what is known as the Yuruan incident.

—Edward Pendleton was almost instantly killed by a train while riding his bicycle on the track of the Missouri Pacific railroad track at 10:20 o'clock Sunday night, near Clifton Heights, a suburb of St. Louis. The deceased was 27 years of age.

—Bernard J. Ford, ex-superintendent of the New Jersey state house, who is under seven indictments for conspiracy to defraud the state, false pretences, etc., was arraigned in Trenton, yesterday, and withdrew his former plea of not guilty. Sentence was deferred.

—Judge Valiant, of St. Louis, yesterday decided the famous Post-Dispatch injunction case. The injunction is made permanent, and gives Col C. H. Jones absolute control of the Post-Dispatch during the life of his contract with Mr. Pulitzer, which runs four years longer.

—The porte has agreed to comply with the request made by United States Minister Terrell to suspend action in the case of Mr. Knapp, the American missionary, whose arrest, upon charges of sedition was recently attempted at Bitlis, until Mr. Knapp arrives in Constantinople.

—The largest funeral ever held over a colored person in Lexington, Ky., took place there Sunday afternoon, when Isaac Murphy, the famous jockey, was buried. A number of prominent turfmen from all over the country were present, and floral tributes were sent from many cities.

—The Bunnell family, among the most prominent people of Canfield, O., mother, daughter and two sons, were arrested yesterday on a charge of arson. Their dwelling burned Friday night and the agent for the insurance company while inspecting the ruins found that straw and hay, over which oil had been poured, had been scattered about the house.

A BOLD VENTURE.

Considering the Project of Sending an Expedition to Meet Dr. Nansen.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—A syndicate of this city is considering the advisability of dispatching a party at once to the far northern regions to meet Dr. Nansen at the Lena river and to assist, if possible, the return of the explorers in their probable march toward either Yakutsk or Irkutsk. The man selected to lead the party is Evelyne B. Baldwin, the meteorologist of Lieut. Peary's North Greenland expedition of 1893-94. Much information concerning the region to be traversed, as well as special facilities for expediting Mr. Baldwin on his journey to Siberia, has been afforded by A. S. Savine, Comte de Toulouse Lautrec, now in Chicago, who is connected with the Siberia railway.

In addition to meeting Dr. Nansen, Mr. Baldwin said the expedition would have for its object to watch for the possible return of Prof. Andre and air ship or balloon, which is to start in July, and to investigate the mines along the route of the Siberian railway and the possible commercial advantages to this country resulting from the opening of the route.

Clara Barton Arrives.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Feb. 18.—Clara Barton, of America, representing the Red Cross society, has arrived here and is organizing a system for the distribution of relief in Armenia.

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MOON'S PHASES.

Last quarter, 5th; new moon, 13th; first quarter, 21st; full moon, 28th.

ECLIPSES.

Annular eclipse of the sun, 13th; invisible in North America. Partial eclipse of the moon, 28th; invisible in North America.

IF the Chicago *Tribune* continues to solicit choices for president the compositors can make plenty of fat on the word "McKinley."

TARIFF reform has thrown thousands of honest workingmen out of employment and impoverished their homes. That is why the masses are for McKinley and protection.

PENNSYLVANIA'S favorite son can probably show up with more Republican newspapers to support his boom than the favorite son in Nebraska has at his back.

ALL of Missouri's ten Republican congressmen and three of its five Democratic congressmen were against the free silver rider to the bond bill. Good for "Old Missouri."

THE gang which is waiting to see the fight between Fitzsimmons and Maher attended a bull fight Sunday and were disgusted with the brutality. But the same officials who permit the bull fights propose to prevent the prize fight, and there you are.

SOME Tennesseeans have found five acres of ground that neither belongs to Virginia, Kentucky or Tennessee, and they have notified Dan Stuart that it would be a good place to pull off a fight. Decatur people might offer Hog Island for as good a reason.

SENATOR MATT QUAY says his candidacy is bona fide. Well, let it go at that. It will make no difference in the result. Quay, Clarkson and Platt with an Illinois contingent, and Ohio, excepting McKinley's vote, thrown in, failed to beat Harrison at Minneapolis.

THE real popular strength of McKinley is shown best in comparison with the Reed following; both are genuine, while all the others are merely artificial. On that basis McKinley sweeps everything from Delaware bay to the Pacific ocean, and is the second choice of all New England.

CHICAGO *Tribune*: The Republicans of the Sixth District led off by renominating Congressman Cooke. Those of the Second, Third and Fifth followed suit by renominating Congressmen Lorimer, Belknap and White. Mr. Aldrich in the First District does not want to go back, so a new man has to be selected there. Ald. Mann will be chosen, and he will make a valuable member. But that second term, which has been conceded to four men in accordance with the usual practice, is to be denied to Mr. Foss in the Seventh District. It cannot be because of his inferiority, for in the short time during which congress has been in session he has made a most creditable record. No new member has done better. Why then is he to be supplanted? Simply because two men so will it—two men who say they own the district. They say they own the farmers of Lake county and the country towns of Cook, and the working people, storekeepers, professional men, and clerks of the city wards. The voters of the district can disprove with ease a claim so insulting to them by going to the primaries and working for the renomination of Mr. Foss.

More For McKinley.

The Chicago *Tribune* is still engaged in the good work of exposing the McKinley sentiment in the country. It has, by a series of interviews in Indiana, Illinois, Michigan, Wisconsin and Missouri developed the fact that the papers and the people of these states were almost unanimously in favor of the nomination of McKinley. Monday it published the choice of the Republican editors of the state of Iowa, Kansas and Nebraska, with the following result:

	McKinley	Manderson	Allison	Scattering
Nebraska	72	6	5	5
Kansas	102	6	9	20
Iowa	81	6	108	2

The result of this canvas shows Kansas and Nebraska solidly for McKinley. An effort has been made to boom a favorite son in Nebraska in order to keep that delegation away from McKinley and stuffed reports have been sent out from the state to show how the Manderson boom was taking hold all of which is shown to be untrue. The people understand the "favorite son" business in this campaign and only 6 papers were found in Nebraska that are for Manderson while 72 were for McKinley. The people are universaly for McKinley and the efforts to keep delegrates from representing the sentiment of their constituencies by springing favorite sons is becoming amusing instead of a serious matter with those who favor the nomination of McKinley. It is looking every day more as if McKinley would receive the nomination very early in the convention in spite of the machinations of designing men and without the aid of "that army of office holders" we so often hear about. It simply shows the people are powerful when they assert their right to favor the nomination of a man for president.

Manley's Warning.

Joe Manley, of Maine, who is an astute politician and has charge of the Reed boom, has become alarmed over the popularity of McKinley and has lost faith in the favorite son scheme as a means of inticing the people to leave McKinley, and in the following statement clearly demands that every Reed man shall get out from under cover and go to work. A Washington special says:

National Committeeman Joe Manley, who is one of the trusted lieutenants of Speaker Reed, is not blind to the fact that McKinley is the leader among the presidential possibilities in the Republican party. Before starting for Maine, whither he was called by the sudden illness of his wife, Mr. Manley declared unhesitatingly that it was a case of "McKinley against the field."

"Our people should not hug the delusion to their breasts," continued Mr. Reed's right bower, "that they are going to have a walk over to beat McKinley for the nomination at St. Louis. Only the hardest kind of work will defeat the Ohio man's aspirations, and developments every day prove the truth of this assertion."

The only trouble about this is that it is the field against McKinley, instead of "McKinley against the field." He is also in error when he assumes that only hard work will defeat McKinley's aspirations. He should have said defeat the popular will.

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CHAMPAIGN *Gazette*: P. Richards, president of the First National Bank, has received a letter from A. F. Fay, who was lately installed consul at Denia, Spain. Mr. Fay is delighted with the climate, but does not think highly of the enterprise and thrift of the inhabitants.

Old People.

Old people who require medicine to regulate the bowels and kidneys will find the true remedy in electric Bitters. This medicine does not stimulate and contains no whisky or other intoxicant, but acts as a tonic and alterative. It acts mildly on the stomach and bowels, adding strength and giving tone to the organs, thereby aiding Nature in the performance of the functions. Electric Bitters is an excellent appetizer and aids digestion. Old people find it just exactly what they need. Price fifty cents per bottle at King & Metz's drug store.

CAPT. FRED PABST, the Milwaukee brewer, with several of his officials was at Peoria looking at the proposed sites for the office building his company intends to erect there. The have several options and it is specified that the building shall cost at least $50,000.

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About the Eye.

For people with sore eyes, weak, watery eyes, and red and inflamed eyes, caused by age, catarrh or otherwise, the Brazilian Balm is a priceless boon. Put 15 or 20 drops of Balm into a spoonfull of warm water and bathe the eyes well night and morning, getting some of the solution into the eyes. The relief and benefit is worth a hundred times the cost.

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J. P. WRIGHT, at Arthur, has bought 886,594 bushels of grain for Bartlett, Kuhn & Co. since July 15, 1891, for which he paid over $300,000.

WASHINGTON LETTER.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 17, 1896.

The situation of the House tariff bill is an unsolvable puzzle at this writing. Had the four Republican Senators who voted against taking it up several days ago voted with the party, it might have been passed by the Senate by this time, but as they didn't it is still hanging in a dangerous position. It is not very clear what those four senators are driving at. Had they wished to make it impossible for the bill to becomd a law, they would have voted to take up the bill, and then voted for the free coinage substitute, which would have sent the bill to certain death in the House, where the free coinage substitute for the House bond bill had just been killed by such a overwhelming majority. The only explanation they have given of their action was to say that they were opposed to taking the bill up and making it the "unfinished business" of the Senate without any previous notice of such an intention having been given. Republicans outside of the Senate had supposed that when the Republican senatorial caucus decided that the bill should be supported without amendment it was assured of a solid Republican vote.

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The number of members who dodged the silver vote in the house was much smaller than usually the case when votes are taken upon questions which have strong supporters upon both sides in many districts. Only 37 out of the 356 members failed to vote or to pair for or against the concurrence of the house in the free coinage sustitute for the house bond bill, which had been passed by the senate. The silver men could only muster 90 votes, while the anti's piled up 215.

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There seems to be a misapprehension as to the Republican birthday celebration on the 22nd inst., which was started by the Union Republican club of Washington, and has been pushed along as a good thing by the national officials of the League of Republican clubs, to judge by publications in Wasnington and elsewhere. It has been pointed out by numerous gentlemen, and may be by some ladies, too, that the Republican party is more than 40 years old. That there were local organizations of Republicans in several states more than forty years ago was well known to those who first proposed this celebration of the fortieth birthday of the party. But its birthday as a national organization was at the national convention, held at Pittsburg, February 22nd and 23d, 1856, which nominated John C. Fremont for president and launched the Republican party, which four years later elected Lincoln president, as a National organization. That is the birthday that is going to be celebrated. It is worthy of mention that two of the few surviving delegates to that first convention of the party—Hon. A. M. Clapp, who was a delegate from New York, and Hon. Lewis Clephane, who was a delegate from the District of Columbia—are now honored members of the Union Republican club of Washington and will take part in the celebration of the fortieth birthday. May they and the party live to enjoy many more.

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The adage, "Give a dog a bad name," etc, is recalled by the experience of Representative Howard, of Ala., who wrote a scandalous book before the populists elected him to the House. He has been almost completely ostracised by members of the House ever since he took his seat, and several days ago when he was carried out of the House very ill, everybody declared "Howard is drunk," and notwithstanding the statement of his physician to the contrary, many people continue to believe that he was drunk.

A HERDER'S EXPERIENCE.

Attacked by Four Mountain Lions, Which Are Afterwards Killed.

Four American lions attacked a cattle herder and his horse in the mountains near the Carson river, Nev., a week ago, and were making things lively for them when two other men rode up, and the flight and chase that followed resulted in the killing of all four lions. The herder says he was passing a clump of bushes when the lions jumped out and sprang on the flanks of his horse He managed to throw himself off the animal and make for a tree. He had only a shotgun with him, and had just emptied it on the brutes, which were worrying the horse, when the two other men rode up and opened fire on the lions. The beasts started off, but were chased, and all four were shot. The horse was badly torn and had to be shot.

Harvard Men Left Off.

Several Harvard professors have quite conspicuously and bitterly denounced President Cleveland on account of his Venezuela message. It is not likely that the president had that fact in mind when he appointed three Yale graduates out of the five on the Venezuela commission, but it may be noted as a coincidence. The Yale men are Daniel C. Gillman, class of 1852; Andrew D. White, 1853; and David J. Brewer, 1856.

One in Seven.

Van Buren county, Mich., made a record last year of one divorce to every seven marriages. There were 36 divorces in the county during the year.

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(From *Grand Rapids, Mich., Evening Press.*)

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It is no wonder then that the name of Charles H. Hackley is known at home and abroad. His munificence to Muskegon alone represents an outlay of nearly half a million. For the past twenty years he has been a constant sufferer from neuralgia and rheumatism, also numbness of the lower limbs, so much so that it has seriously interfered with his pleasure in life. For some time past his friends have noticed that he has seemed to grow young again and to have recovered the health which he had in youth.

To a reporter for the Press Mr. Hackley explained the secret of this transformation. "I have suffered for over 20 years," he said "with pains in my lower limbs so severely that the only relief I could get at night was by putting cold water compresses on my limbs. I was bothered more at night than in the day time. The neuralgic and rheumatic pains in my limbs, which had been growing in intensity for years, finally became chronic. I made three trips to the Hot Springs with only partial relief and then fell back to my original state. I couldn't sit still and my sufferings began to make life look very blue. Two years ago last September I noticed an account of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People and what they had done for others, and some cases so nearly resembled mine that I was interested, so I wrote to one who had given a testimonial, an eminent professor of music in Canada. The reply I received was even stronger than the printed testimonial and it gave me faith in the medicine.

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" 4 Pass*.. 11:57 a m	" 3 Pass*.. 3:45 p m
" 44 Pass*.. 11:25 a m	" 43 Pass*.. 4:05 a m
" 42 Pass*.. 10.13 p m	" 45 Pass*.. 4:15 p m
" 2 Pass*.. 12:40 a m	" 5 Pass*.. 4:10 p m
FROM QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.	TO QUINCY AND KANSAS CITY.
No. 42 Pass*.. 10:05 p m	No. 43 Pass*.. 4:30 a m
" 44 Pass†.. 11:05 a m	" 45 Pass†.. 4:10 p m
" 6 Pass*.. 6:05 a m	" 1 Pass*.. 9:07 p m
" 48 Acc†.. 7:00 p m	" 47 Acc*.. 6:45 a m
" 70 Freight 11:05 a m	" 71 Freight 11:55 a m
FROM TOLEDO AND DETROIT.	TO TOLEDO AND DETROIT.
No. 43 Pass*.. 3:50 a m	No. 46 Pass†.. 6:15 a m
" 45 Pass*.. 3:55 p m	" 44 Pass*.. 11.35 a m
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Diamond Special, daily.....1:41 a m	Diamond Special, daily.....2:42 a m
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No. 194 freight ex. Sunday.....2:00 p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday.....10:30 a m
No. 126 pass. ex. Sunday.....5:55 p m	No. 196 pass. ex. Sunday.....5:35 p m
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No. 1 Pass ....2:35 p m	No. 2 Pass....11:30 a m
" 3 Pass.....4:05 a m	" 4 Pass....10:20 p m
" 7 Mixed .10.00 a m	" 8 Mixed... 4:00 a m
" 9 Freight. 8:00 p m	" 10 Freight. 7:00 a m

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" 30 Pass.....7:00 a m	" 31 Pass.....7:50 p m
" 10 Freight 10:45 a m	" 11 Freight. 3:00 p m

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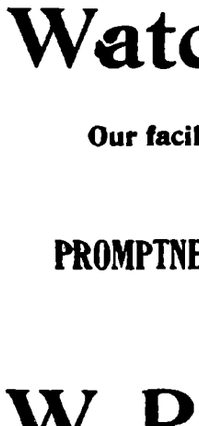
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p m	No. 43 Pass*. 4.30 a m
a m	" 45 Pass†.. 4 10 p m
a m	" 1 Pass*.. 9 07 p m
p m	" 47 Acc* 6:45 a m
a m	" 71 Freight 11.55 a m

ND	TO TOLEDO AND DETROIT.
a m	No. 46 Pass†. 6:15 a m
p m	" 44 Pass*..11.35 a m
p m	" 42 Pass*. 10:18 p m
	" 48 Pass† .
a m	to Bement 3.20 p m

	TO CHICAGO.
a m	No. 2 Pass* . 12.55 a m
p m	" 4 Pass*. .12 02 p m
p m	" 6 Pass†....6.25 a m
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	SOUTH.
a m	Diamond Special, daily . ..... 2:42 a m
a m	No. 125 pass. ex. Sunday . 9:45 a m
p m	No. 193 freight ex. Sunday . . 10.30 a m
p m	No. 183 pass. ex. Sunday.. ...5:35 p m
p m	No. 701 (Champ'n line) arrives ex. Sunday 10 15 a m

r & Western Ry Co

	LEAVE.
p m	No. 2 Pass. . 11·30 a m
a m	" 4 Pass ...10 20 p m
a m	" 8 Mixed 4 00 a m
p m	" 10 Freight 7:00 a m

between Hume and Decatur.

tur and Evansville.

	SOUTH.
p m	No. 1 Pass....11:30 a m
a m	" 3 Pass .. 10.15 p m
a m	" 81 Pass.. . 7:50 p m
a m	" 11 Freight. 3:00 p m

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..	..... 8:00 p m—9:45 p m
LEAVE.	
..	.....11:30 a m—4:30 a m
..	7·00 a m—8:10 p m

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LOCAL NEWS.

PYTHIAN celebration to-morrow night.

CHERRY phosphate at Irwin's fountain.

THERE will be an Irish comedy at the Grand to-morrow night.

BELLADONNA plasters, two for 25c, West's drug store, on Lincoln square.

ICE cream soda, with pure fruit flavors, at Irwin's.

RHEUMATIC plasters, cut price, 20 cts; West's drug store.

ROBBERS at Mahomet broke into the postoffice and stole $15 in cash and 100 cigars.

WHAT'S the matter with you? Constipated? Cascarets will cure. Eat them like candy.

THERE are 34 prisoners in the county jail. The list keeps up pretty well winter and summer.

GO TO Henry Bros. bakery for all kinds of cakes, pies, etc. dec26-dtf

IN the county court Joseph S. Berry has been appointed administrator of the estate of the estate of the late Mrs. Iris Rubert.

GO TO the Spencer & Lehman company for wood pumps, iron pumps, force pumps and pump repairs. feb6-d&wtf

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

DON'T forget the C. B. Prescott music house for the best musical instruments—the Reed & Son's and Haines upright pianos. No trouble to show goods.

FINEST assortment of Carriages, Surreys and Road Wagons in Decatur, at Leon & Morris', 130 East Wood street. jan 31-dtf

A DRY goods and notion store has been opened in a store room in the Haworth block on North Park street. The establishment is called "The Saving Bank."

FOR the Second Annual Cycle Show at St. Louis, February 20 to 22d, the Wabash R. R. will sell tickets at one and one-third fare for the round trip, on certificate plan.

TRY DULUTH IMPERIAL FLOUR, The Best Spring Wheat Flour on Earth.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

YESTERDAY Cliff Betzer, manager of the Cereal Mill Elevator, had a streak of bad luck. He had a new pair of shoes in his buggy, and somebody came along and stole the package. The police have been notified.

THE Buyers' and Merchants' Bene fit Bureau saves you 4 per cent on your entire living expenses. Call upon the manager L. Chodat and learn how.

USE WHITE LOAF FLOUR.

THE ladies of the Home and Foreign Missionary societies of the First M. E. church will hold a special prayer service at the residence of Mrs. C. M. Imboden on West North street Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock. At this meeting Sabbath desecration, intemperance, neglect of the poor, etc., will be the subjects of prayer. A full attendance is desired.

Our Annual Sale Of Muslin Underwear

Begins Monday, Feb. 10th, with prices lower than ever.

The Largest and Finest assortment of Reliable, Well-made Muslin, Cambric and Nainsook Undergarments ever placed on sale in this city.—Attend this sale and save money.

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MRS. SHEPHERD'S DOWER.

J. R. Gorin, John R. Miller and G. V. Loring Appointed to Fix the Amount.

And now it is the order of Judge Vail in the circuit court that Mrs. Mary C. Shepherd is entitled to dower interest in certain lots in P. B. Shepherd's addition to Decatur, comprising territory lying east of Pine street, north of West Main, west of Monroe and south of William street. About a year ago Mrs. Shepherd through her attorneys, Webber & Shelley, began proceedings to establish her claim against John A. Swearingen, John Quinlan, Nellie Finley, Thomas McKay, Margaret Ward and Augustus Harpstrite, and after hearing the objections, the court has finally decided that Mrs. Shepherd is justly entitled to the dower, as it does not appear that she did at any time in her life sign any paper giving away her interest or right to the particular property in question. Years ago the lots were sold by Shepherd and by the sheriff for a small sum, several of the lots going at $150 to $200. Mrs. Shepherd did not join in the deeds.

In the circuit court to-day Judge Vail appointed J. R. Gorin, John R. Miller and George V. Loring as commissioners to fix the amount of the dower Mrs. Shepherd shall receive during the remainder of her life. Her interest dates from the time she began suit, which was nearly two years ago. The amount will probably be fixed on the fair cash rental value of the lots in their present improved condition. Vacant lots out that way have sold as high as $2500. The report of the commissioners in this particular case will be read with special interest.

Mrs. Shepherd is now past 71 years of age. On the finding of the court the present owners of the lots will have to pay the dower interest annually so long as Mrs. Shepherd is among the living. Possibly they may effect a settlement with her, or go back and cause those who gave warranty deeds to make the guarantee of clear title good.

Will Be Ash Wednesday.

To-morrow will be Ash Wednesday, and consequently the first day of Lent. Until Easter Sunday, which comes this year on April 5, the Episcopalians and Catholics are supposed to forego all amusements and indulgences, and give themselves up to repentance, self-denying and alms-giving. In both churches rules are laid down respecting the action of the church people during Lent, and must be strictly observed by the church members. At St. John's Episcopal church the rector, Rev. Frank N. Atkin, will hold Litany and Holy communion at 10:30 o'clock to-morrow morning and evening, prayer and sermon at 7:30 p. m. Services will also be held to-morrow at the Catholic churches.

Debate.

There was an interesting debate last night at the First M. E. church conducted by members of the Young People's society of Christian Endeavor. The attendance was large. Wilbur Corman was the chairman of the meeting. The subject was, "*Resolved*, That Foreign Missions are More Important than Home Missions." Frank Dixon and Clarence Irwin took the affirmative, while Wayne Williams and Charles Record argued for the negative. The judge decided that the latter two lost. The points in the different sides were well presented and thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

At the High School.

Mrs. R. L. Walston yesterday afternoon at the High School gave the pupils a very entertaining and instructive talk on the preparations for a trip to Europe, coupled with her impressions of a visit to certain sections of the old country. Mrs. Walston told of her audience with the Pope of Rome. She was the only member of the Penhallegon party who visited the Pope to have a chat with him.

A Bad Crossing.

In the hollow on West King street there is a culvert built over a ditch which is in a very bad condition. It has sunk so that it holds several inches of water and in the middle is a large hole which cannot be seen on account of the mud and water. Persons who drive on that street complain that the culvert is dangerous to cross and a few nights ago a horse stepped into the hole.

Came to His Death by a Fall.

Aaron Gingrich, whose body is now at the home of F. O. Damrow on West Prairie avenue, came to his death at Bentonville, Ark., as the result of injuries received by a fall off a building at his home.

The funeral will be held from the Damrow residence at 2:30 p. m. Wednesday, Feb. 19th. The G. A. R. Post will have charge of the burial.

New Trial Granted.

Judge Hammer has granted the City of Decatur a new trial in the case of widening South Monroe street. City Attorney Lee offered the motion and presented the argument for the new trial, which was combatted by Attorney Leforgee. The rehearing will be had in March.

W. C. T. U. Meeting.

There will be a regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. Thursday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the hall in the Library block. The subject will be "Military Drill in Public Schools."

IRWIN'S fountain is now open for the season.

SULLIVAN FEELING.

People Anxious to Know What Judge Vail will Say and Do.

CLAIM GRANT WAS DEAD WHEN HUNG

Better Class of Citizens Deeply Deplore the Lynching—All Quiet—Waiting for Court.

It is learned on what appears to be good authority that Grant Atterberry, who was lynched at Sullivan, was really about dead when he was strung up to the tree in the court house yard.

Atterberry had made a desperate fight for his life in the county jail when the mob came after him. He fought heroically with the wooden leg of a table but was finally overpowered and dragged out with the rope around his neck. Parties who claim to know say that the back of Atterberry's head was crushed almost to a jelly by repeated blows and that he was really dying as he stood beneath the tree. He was dragged up to strangle and gave no sign of a struggle except to draw up his knees slowly and let them down again.

FEELING OF ANXIETY.

There are many anxious people in and about Sullivan. All are speculating as to what course Judge Vail will pursue when he comes to Sullivan to begin the April term of the circuit court. The grand jury had been selected for the court term before the hanging occurred. It is quite probable that Judge Vail will declare the lynching to be murder, pure and simple, and he will call upon the jury to perform their duty without fear or favor that no guilty man may escape. He will doubtless insist upon the jury making a thorough investigation of the acts and doings of the mob, and if the jury fails to obey it is likely that a special grand jury will be called to act. He did that in the Sam Bush case in Decatur.

The better class of people at Sullivan deeply deplore the lynching. They feel the disgrace that has come upon Sullivan and Moultrie county. They feel that it would have been far better had the law been allowed to take its course.

THE SULLIVAN PAPERS.

All of the Sullivan papers devoted considerable space to stories of the lynching, and all gave good accounts. The Moultrie County *News*, however, gave the best detailed story of the hanging, covering the affair in a connected and graphic manner. It was the only paper which had an interview with Mrs. Roxy Atterberry, who gave the motive for the assault upon her. Editor W. G. Covey covered the affair completely, leaving out the rot and publishing those things which the people wanted to know.

Murray and Mack.

The potpourri of hilarious fun, "Finnigan's Ball," will be seen at the Grand Opera House, Wednesday evening, Feb. 19. The stars of the organization are that excellent celtic character comedian Chas. Murray, and that funny little Irishman, Ollie Mack, supported by a large and versatile company of fun-makers, including Geo. H. Emerick, the author of the farce; Bert Leslie, Clayton E. White, Chas Lumb, Frank Carleton and Vincent Minnelli. The piece is one of the most enjoyable combinations of ridiculous situations, funny dialogue, catchy medleys, and parodies and high class specialties that has ever been thrown together and called a "farce-comedy." Everyone seems to have been put upon the stage and instructed to let all the fun that is in their nature escape and the result is what is known as a "hurrah show" from the time the curtain rises, until it falls, without any regard to plot or author's lines. A pleasing feature is the large number of unusually pretty young women who make up the feminine portion of the company including the Loring Sisters, Gracie Cummings, Edith Newton, Lonnie Deane, Winifred Stewart and Clara Burgess. The Lorings are late of Hoyt's farces.

Baptist Church Society.

At the meeting of the Senior Endeavor Society held at the Baptist church last night, in the presence of a large audience, with Miss Ella Spencer as leader, a very interesting program was carried out. J. Edward Saxton read an instructive paper on the early history of the Baptist church. It told of the struggles of the church when it was living through a period of oppression. Roger Williams established the first church in America at Newport, R. I., in 1647. In 1688 there were thirteen churches in this country, and now there are 18,000. The first institution of learning founded in America was Brown's College at Providence, R. I., in 1764. The next paper was "Some Great Baptists," by Miss Ethel Dimock. I. N. Martin read the next paper on the "History of This Church," and was followed by Norman Coughlin with "Baptist Missions." The missionaries of this church are to be found all over the world. The songs sung during the evening were all by Baptist authors.

Arrested.

Charles Flint at Bethany has been arrested for selling whisky without license. He was taken to Springfield last evening to answer an indictment in the United States District Court.

THE CITY COUNCIL.

Met and Adjourned after Expressing Sympathy for Alderman George S. Simpson.

The members of the city council met in regular session last night, but out of respect and sympathy for George S. Simpson, whose son Fred died at Los Angeles, Cal. There was no business transacted. All members of the council were present except Aldermen Ahrens. Deputy Clerk Robbins called the council to order, when Alderman C. S. Hankins was elected to serve as mayor pro tem. This resolution of sympathy was offered by Aldermen Montgomery and Carter and adopted:

WHEREAS, Our worthy and esteemed member, George S. Simpson, is sorely grieved and cast down by the sad death of his son, and whereas we deeply sympathize with our brother and his beloved wife in their great affliction; be it therefore resolved that this council express its condolence with our worthy and esteemed member and his family, and that this resolution be spread on the records and that the city clerk send a copy of the same to the bereaved family.

The council then adjourned without transacting any business. The next meeting will be on the night of March 2.

A. P. A. CIRCLES.

A Scandal in Which Three Prominent Officials are Involved.

Dr. Ben P. Reynolds, a prominent official in the American Protective Association of Chicago, has filed a bill for divorce from his wife, Blanche E. E. Reynolds nee Baldwin. In his bill the doctor makes Clarence P. Johnson, of Springfield, state president of the A. P. A., co-respondent. Mrs. Reynolds has for three years been president of the woman's A. P. A. organization of the state. She has filed a cross bill charging her husband with drunkenness, cruelty and failure to support her and their four children, and denies all the allegations contained in Reynolds' declarations. Johnson also denies the charges, and says he will prove his innocence. Reynolds is 65 years old, and his wife is 35. They parted last December, since which time these proceedings are instituted.

Taylorville's Social Swim.

According to a dispatch from Pana, William Shannon, a wealthy stock dealer and prominent citizen of Taloryille, and Mrs. Mary Jane Colegrove have created a great sensation by eloping and marrying. The bride was divorced in December from her first husband and was married three weeks later to James Colgrove, a mere boy. They lived together for two days, when the father of young Colegrove persuaded his son to procure a divorce, which was agreed to by the woman for a stipulated sum. The second divorce was granted at the same term of court at which she secured the first one. Shannon was prevented from marrying the woman, after the divorce from Colegrove was secured, by his brothers and sisters. The woman has a damage suit for $20,000 pending against the Shannons.

Taylorville is evidently bound to make Chicago green with envy.

Decatur Circuit.

Long Creek Church—Sabbath 9:30 a. m., Sabbath school; 10:30 a. m., preaching by Rev. W. E. Knight; 6:30 p. m., devotional service of the Epworth League.

Mt. Zion Church—Sabbath 9:30 a. m., Sabbath school; 3 p. m., preaching by Rev. W. E. Knight.

Elwin Church—Sabbath 9:45 a. m., Sabbath school.

Blue Mound Chapel—Wednesday 7 p. m., prayer service; Sabbath 10 a. m., Sabbath school; 7 p. m., devotional service of the Epworth League.

The pastor will hold the quarterly meeting at Assumption on Sabbath and hence his pulpit will be filled by Rev. Knight. A. M. DANELY, Pastor.

List of Patents

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., Solicitors of American and Foreign Patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.:

J. P. Belden, Hinsdale, bake pan; E. E. Chapman, Sterling, corn-snapper and fodder-cutter; W. F. Fuchs, Galena, cigar box; O. Lecompte, Aurora, automatic car and air-brake coupling; A. Munich, Kankakee, desk; P. H. Murphy, East St. Louis, car roof; G. W. Packer, Rock Falls, hay loader; J. F. Pool, Friendsville, sash fastener; J. F. Stewart, Plano, harvesting machine; B. F. Stewart, Plano, harvester reel; P. N. Swanson, Galva, folding gambrel; H. M. O. Thode, Mattoon, dipper.

Will Organize.

It is announced that Maj. Gen. L. J Kadeski will organize a Uniform Rank of Catholic Knights of America in Decatur.

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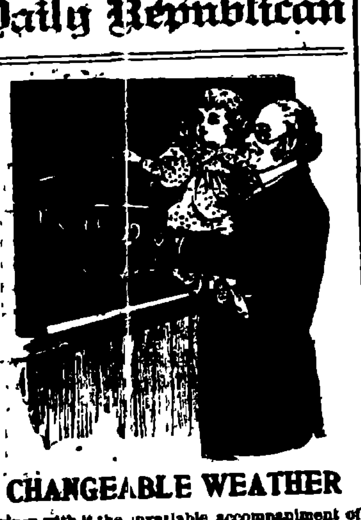

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MARKETS BY TELEGRAPH.

CHICAGO, Ill., Feb. 18, 1896

The REPUBLICAN is indebted to B. Z. Taylor dealer in grain, provisions and stocks, with correspondents in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis and St. Louis, for the following market quotations:

	Opening.	Highest.	Lowest.	Closing.
Wheat—				
....	—	—	—	—
February	—	—	—	62⅞
May	66⅝	65⅞	64⅞	64⅞
July	65⅝	65⅞	64⅞	64
Corn—				
....	—	—	—	—
February	—	—	—	27⅞
May	30⅛	30⅛	29⅞	29⅞
July	31	31	30⅞	30⅞
Oats—				
February	—	—	—	19⅝
May	21⅛	21⅛	20⅞	20⅞
July	21⅛	21⅛	21	21
Pork—				
Feb	—	—	—	—
May	10 20	10 15	10 02½	10 02½
Lard—				
May	5 60	5 62½	5 57½	5 57½
Ribs—				
May	5 27½	5 27½	5 22½	5 22½

May wheat: puts, 64½c, calls, 65⅞c; curb, 65

TO-DAY'S RECEIPTS—CAR LOTS

Wheat—167. Estimated, 200; Year ago, 25

Corn—535 Estimated, 500, a year ago, 445

Oats—323, Estimated, 315, a year ago, 258.

ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat, 110, Corn, 365, oats, 211.

Hog receipts 20,000; estimated 24,000. Market opened steady; Light, $3 95@$4.25, mixed, $3.95@$4.15; heavy, $4.10@$4 17½, rough, $3.95 @$4.00.

Estimated for to-morrow, 30,000

Cattle receipts 14 000; market steady.

LONDON, 1 p. m.—Off coast, wheat quiet but steady. Corn, weak. On passage: Wheat dull, corn weak. English country markets dull. French country markets quiet. Russian shipments: Wheat, 187,000 qrs, corn, 17,000 qrs. Danubian wheat shipments, 63,000 qrs.

LIVERPOOL, 1 p. m.—Wheat, spot, quiet, futures steady. Corn, spot, steady, futures steady.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Stocks opened strong, higher in sympathy with advance in London and local bull sentiment

Market quiet up to eleven o'clock, with few changes in value, tone generally strong.

Up to noon market dull but steady.

PEORIA QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, Feb. 18.—Corn easier, No. 2 26⅞. Oats steady; No. 2, white, 20⅞@20⅞. Rye, ——.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, Feb 18.—Wheat, cash No. 2, red, 71⅛c, May, 63⅞c Corn, cash, 28⅛; May, 28⅞. Oats, cash 18⅞; May, 20⅛.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, Feb. 18.—Butter, ——. Eggs, ——. Wheat, May, 71⅞. Corn, May, 36. Oats, May, 26⅛.

DECATUR STOCK MARKET.

The following are the ruling prices paid by local dealers for stock:

Cows and Heifers	2 50@3 00
Steers	3.50@4 50
Hogs	3 75@3 80
Calves	3.50@4 00
Sheep	3.00
Export Cattle	4.00@4 50

POULTRY MARKET.

Corrected daily by Max Atlas & Co

Hens	6c per lb	Geese f f	5c per lb
Springs	6c per lb	Ducks	7c per lb
Stags	4c per lb	Eggs	10c per lb
Roosters	3c per lb	Hides	4c per lb
Turkey hens	10c per lb	——	2 to 4c per lb
Tom turkeys	6c per lb	Tallow	3½c per lb
Gobblers	9c per lb	Beeswax	20c per lb

Y. M. C. A. Gymnasium Exhibition.

At the Y. M. C. A. rooms this evening there will be a gymnasium reception, when an exhibition of the gymnasium work will be made by the members of the classes under the direction of Prof. Dixon. Tickets have been issued to about 100 persons who are interested in the work. The members of the association who do gymnasium work are divided into two junior and two senior classes. All four classes will give exhibitions in the different branches of work. The object of giving the entertainment is to show the methods of work and the advantages of the physical instruction.

Bill of Sale.

Thomas F. Talbott has made a bill of sale for a stock of drugs and other goods at Niantic to Charles E. Tandy; consideration $2600.

THE NEW HOTEL SCHEME.

Interview with One of the Local Promoters of the Enterprise.

There has been a good deal of talk about the new Grand Central hotel to be erected on the Thatcher corner at an expense of $150,000. Speaking of the plan to secure the handsome hotel a local promoter of the enterprise thus gave vent to his views:

"It is due the parties whose interest Dr. Benj. Brown represents in Decatur, to put plainly before the people of Decatur just what they propose to do and just what the promoters of the enterprise expect the people of Decatur to do in regard to securing the proposed hotel

"In the first place, the promoters agree to erect one of the most elegant and convenient hotels in this section of the country, and one of which any city of several times the population of Decatur, might justly be proud. Provided, the people of Decatur will donate the price of the site upon which to erect said hotel

"Now, to explain just what donating money towards the site really means. It simply means that they ask owners of property to donate to the enterprise a percentage of the amount of the increase of valuation of property caused by the hotel being built.

"In other words, for example· You have a lot in the neighborhood of the proposed hotel, and right now you have a value on that lot for which amount, if offered, you would sell.

"Now look ahead, say six months, and in the meantime the hotel is decided upon, the site bought, and the hotel under construction, what would you consider a fair value on the same lot?

"For what price would you sell the lot then?

"Now, from the price that it would take to buy your lot after the hotel was a sure thing and under construction, take the price for which you would sell the same lot right now, and see what the difference will be. That will give you the increase in valuation on the lot caused by the hotel being built.

"Now the real point to be considered is, what percentage of your own admitted advance on the valuation of your lot, will you agree to donate to the enterprise, toward purchasing a site for the hotel.

"Suppose you had, in the above problem, figured that your lot would be increased in value by the hotel being built, $1,000

"Now the question is, will you give $500 towards an enterprise that would assure you, according to your own figures, $1,000 in return in less than six months?

"If some man would offer you $1 for a 50 cent piece would you buy? • •

"Some parties say they object to giving a bonus, and that they cannot afford to donate anything to Chicago capital.

"Did it ever occur to you that you could stick $500.00 in the stove and burn it up if some one would give you $1000 00 in place of it? Could you afford to do that?

"These Chicago parties, in their paper, which they ask the Decatur people to sign, do not obligate anyone to pay one cent until the hotel is finished and equipped for business.

"If the hotel is not built, then the paper you are asked to sign is not worth the paper upon which the signature appears"

A New Phototraph Gallery.

H. Kadgihn will open a photograph gallery at 340 North Main street, in the George Moeller building, two doors north of the postoffice. The place will be open to the public next Thursday. Mr. Kadgihn came here from Cedar Rapids, Iowa, where he was engaged in the photograph business. The new gallery is handsomely fitted up and is supplied with all the modern apparatus necessary to make good photographs. The place is all on the ground floor, and is consequently convenient for patrons. A reception room is arranged in the front part of the building and at the back is the operating room. Mr. Kadgihn has had years of experience as a photographer, and with the up-to-date furnishings and apparatus he is putting in his establishment, he will be able to do as fine work as is produced in this part of the state. The new gallery will be open next Thursday, when the public is invited to call.

Burned With Lye.

The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John F. Moore, living at 900 West King street, suffered a painful injury this noon. He was playing about the kitchen and put a piece of concentrated lye in his mouth. The child's throat and mouth were terribly burned. Dr. Hostetler was called and gave the child medical attention.

Arrived in London.

This morning N. W. Woodford, received a letter from W. J. Thompson, a member of the Decatur Y. M. C. A., who went to Europe on a visit a short time ago. Mr. Thompson is now in London. He expects to be home about the first of April.

Died.

At 10:30 a. m., Tuesday, February 18, at the family residence, No. 523 East Center street, the eight months old child of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Lusk.

The funeral will be held to morrow afternoon.

Mrs. William Phares, at her home, four miles north of Maroa, at 7 o'clock a. m., Tuesday, Feb. 18. She leaves a husband and five children. Funeral Thursday, Feb. 20th, at 11 o'clock. Burial at Clinton cemetery.

A REVIVAL service, conducted by Rev. J. Bernard, will be held at the Church of God house of worship, corner of North Water and Cerro Gordo streets, on Wednesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All are welcome.

Sales of Real Estate.

H. C. Griffin to Clarence B. Currier, tract of land in Rodgers' addition to Argenta—$150.

THE Atlanta Grand Army is arranging to give a rousing camp fire February 21·

ADDITIONAL PERSONALS.

H. I. Baldwin is ill at his home on West Main street.

Mrs. Henry Peck, of Hildago, Ill., arrived in the city to-day to visit friends.

Mrs. A. T. Grist left this morning for Kankakee, where she will institute a camp of Royal Neighbors this evening.

Al Leach, the well-known salesman at Race's clothing store, was taken suddenly ill this afternoon while at work. A physician was called and he was assisted to his home.

The Luce "Hold-Up."

The hold-up story told by Luce does not go down with the police, who claim that foot pads did not attack the man. They have a theory which is based mainly on a statement told by Luce after he arrived from Danville Sunday morning. It is to the effect that Luce was beating his way to Decatur on a train and that he fell off or was thrown off by the trainmen. There was probably no fight in the Danville opera house about wages. The police are satisfied that Luce was not attacked in Decatur, and that the story he told Sunday and Monday about being slugged on East Cerro Gordo street and robbed of $15, his hat and eye glasses is all stuff, without any truth. Luce's grip is still at the Union depot.

Afternoon Card Party.

A number of ladies were delightfully entertained this afternoon by Mrs. Frank Darwin at her home, No. 880 West Wood street. The guests passed the afternoon playing cards. The party was composed of Mesdames Clelland, F. O. Rhodes, Albert Morgan, George W. Jenkins, George Morgan, Will Leiby, Robert Taggart, Alma M Kinney, M T. Hott, M. C. Irish and Mrs. Matthews.

THE BRYAN MURDER.

Opinion Badly Divided as to the Truth of Cabman Jackson's Story.

CINCINNATI, Feb. 18 —Opinion is badly divided on the question of belief in Cabman Jackson's story of his midnight drive to Fort Thomas on the night of the murder. As far as can be ascertained, the general view outside of police circles is that the negro has fabricated the whole tale, notwithstanding the fact that his statements are corroborated in a remarkable way by facts gleaned since he first appeared on the stage in this tragic drama.

For example, he at once identified the cab he claims to have driven, as soon as it was brought before him, and this, too, as it was casually passing along the street without his having any knowledge of its being expected. He called attention to several details lacking in its appearance, which were satisfactorily explained by the owner of the vehicle. All this taken in connection with the finding of the blood stains on the carpet, the bead, similar to those worn on the girl's hat and the statement of Mullen, the owner, that he had rented it out on the fatal night that Pearl Bryan was murdered, seem to lend plausibility to his story.

Dr H. W. Crane, who made the analysis of Pearl Bryan's stomach, reports the finding of one and three-eighths of a grain of cocaine. This, he says, might have produced unconsciousness, or might not have had any effect at all, the drug being very uncertain.

BY CATHODE RAYS.

An Indiana Professor Makes Some Interesting Experiments in Photography.

BLOOMINGTON, Ind., Feb. 18.—Prof Arthur L. Foley, of the chair of physics at the Indiana university, has been experimenting upon the photographing of objects invisible to the human eye by means of the methods discovered by Prof. Roentgen, of Germany. Prof. Foley experimented with what is called cathode rays He stated that he began the experiment Friday evening and with the aid of his assistant in the laboratory, Mr, Knipp, succeeded in photographing a key through four thicknesses of cloth and two thicknesses of card board. He used a current from a two-horse-power dynamo to work the induction coil. Saturday they succeeded in photographing the bones and flesh of the hand.

He also succeeded in getting an impression of some coins through five thicknesses of leather, two of cardboard and two of black cloth.

IN THE HANDS OF A RECEIVER.

The McCague Savings Bank of Omaha Succumbs After a Gallant Fight.

OMAHA, Neb., Feb 18.—The McCague savings bank has gone into the hands of a receiver on application of the state banking board, and S. S. Curtis has been appointed receiver.

The bank had been endeavoring for some time to reorganize into a mutual savings bank, but in the limit of time allowed for reorganization it has been found impossible to reach the required $50,000.

The bank, which was closed during the panic for some weeks and was reopened with its impaired capital made good, has made a manly fight for continued life and exhibited remarkable resources and pluck

VICE-PRESIDENT STEVENSON

About to Write a Letter Declaring in Favor of Free Silver.

CHICAGO, Feb. 18.—A Washington special says:

Democratic presidential politics were given a fresh impetus yesterday by a declaration that Vice-President Stevenson will come out for free silver soon.

He will write a letter, it is said, before the convention meets, declaring in favor of free coinage. Leading democrats declare that such a step on the vice-president's part will be equal to a publication of his presidential candidacy and would embarrass Morrison's boom in Illinois.

L. B. COLE, of Clinton, sold his 200 acre farm, two miles south of Rantoul, for $90 per acre.

LINN & SCRUGGS

DRY GOODS & CARPET COMPANY.

Corner of William, Franklin and Park Streets, with Entrance on William and Park Streets.

New Spring Goods.

Special Bargains This Week.

28 pieces Dress Plaids, 25c yd.

35 pieces Dress Serges, 29c yd.

100 pieces Henrietta, 39c yd.

27 pieces Silk, 75c and $1.00.

8 pieces Striped Satin, 39c.

Spangle and Jet Dress Trimmings, 5, 10, 15 and 25c.

Fancy Buttons, 5c to $2.00 each.

Special sale of Belts, 25, 35 and 50c.

Embroidery, 3, 7, 10, 15 and 25c.

White, Cream and Linen Laces, 10, 15, 25, 55 and 75c.

Just received first shipment of Ladies' Shirt Waists, 88 and 98c, worth 1.50. Ladies' Muslin Underwear, gowns 49c, drawers 25c, skirts 49c, corset covers 12½c.

Our Wrapper department is showing the best line of Wrappers in the city. Lot 1, 75c; lot 2, 98c; lot 3, 1.25; lot 4, 1.50.

8-button Suede and Glace Mousquetaire Gloves, 98c.

SPRING JACKETS AND CAPES.

Jackets, this spring's style, $24.98.

Capes, this spring's style, 2.98.

Silk and Velvet Capes, 7.50 to 18.00.

Dress Skirts with Rustle Lining.

Black figured Mohair, 3.49.

Black plain Brilliantine, 4.98.

Black and Blue Serge, 5.98.

Immense assortment of Separate Skirts.

MILLINERY.

Trimmed Hats, 98c, 1.98, 2.49 and 2.98.

Untrimmed Hats, 25c, 39c, 49c and 75c.

Tam O' Shanters, 50, 75, and 98c.

One case Dotted Swiss (very sheer and fine) special value, 15c yd.
One case White Dimity, assorted stripes, a bargain, 10c yd.
100 dozen Fancy Check Towels (for three days only) your choice 3½c each.
20 doz. fine Momie Side Board Scarfs, stamped with beautiful new designs; choice 19c each.
One case Gaufra Crepons, beautiful dark styles, at 10c yd.
200 pieces French Cambrics, full 36 inches wide, warranted fast colors, the handsomest line ever shown, all at 15c per yard.

New Carpets, Rugs and Wall Paper.

Dr L. Kittinger, a leading physician of Wilmington, Del., asked the proprietor of Brazilian Balm to send him a dollar bottle. A few weeks afterwards the doctor said: "I had a couple of cases of old Cough on hand that completely baffled me. I had got to the end of my string. But the Balm made a prompt cure in both cases. It is a remarkable remedy."

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

CHAMPAIGN *Gazette:* P. Richards, president of the First National Bank, has received a letter from A. F. Fay, who was lately installed consul at Denia, Spain. Mr. Fay is delighted with the climate, but does not think highly of the enterprise and thrift of the inhabitants.

Diagnosis of Grippe.

True grippe is a germ disease. These germs are in the circulation and pervade every tissue and organ of the body. This brings speedy collapse and often death to the aged and debilitated. The only germicide known that searches out and destroys every grippe germ in the system is Brazilian Balm. A week or ten days' treatment effects a complete cure.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., Druggists.

CAPT. FRED PABST, the Milwaukee brewer, with several of his officials was at Peoria looking at the proposed sites for the office building his company intends to erect there. The have several options and it is specified that the building shall cost at least $50,000.

Bucklen's Arnica Salve.

The Best Salve in the world for Cuts, Bruses, Sores, Ulcers, Salt Rheum, Fever Sores, Tetter, Chapped Hands, Chilblains, Corns, and all Skin Eruptions, and positively cures Piles, or no pay required. It is guaranteed to give perfect satisfaction, or money refunded. Price 25 cents per box. For Sale By

KING & METZ.

REPRESENTATIVE GRAFF, of Pekin, is working for a government building for that city. Tazewell county paid in internal revenue taxes alone at Pekin over $30,000,000 during the five years ending January 1, 1895.

Ballard's Snow Liniment.

If you have a terrible pain in the small of the back, get a bottle of Snow Liniment. It will positively cure it and at once. Try it and recommend it to your friends. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Shilling.

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THE UNSPEAKABLE TURK

continues his ravages in the Orient and prices are being cut and slashed in the Occident—right at your door, in fact, for if the following figures don't indicate reductions that reduce, we confess ignorance of values in Decatur. For this week we will sell Twentieth Century Shoes at $3. If you can duplicate that offer, we will knock off another 5 per cent for the information.

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New Spring Shoes

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All the ..NEW.. Things At Low Prices.

NEW CORSETS FOR SPRING.

Before having your new dresses fitted come and buy you a CORRECT STYLE CORSET.

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New Captain General of the Spanish Forces in Cuba.

KENTUCKY LYNCHING

A Brace of Barn Burners Taken from Jail.

ONE HANGED TO THE LIMB OF A TREE.

During the Excitement Attending the First Execution the Other Prisoner Makes Good His Escape in the Darkness of Night.

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 18.—A mob of 30 masked men attacked the Wayne county jail at Monticello at an early hour Sunday morning. The jailor was overpowered, his keys taken away, the cells unlocked and Fountain Martin and James Troxell white men, who were arrested several weeks ago charged with burning the barn of Bonnie Bates, were taken from the prison. The men were carried to a point near Steubenville, where, in a little grove the body of Martin was found cold in death. He had no coat, hat or shoes.

Troxell appeared at a farmhouse three miles from the scene of the hanging and got breakfast Sunday morning. He said that while the mob was hanging Martin he made his escape in the darkness.

This was the third attempt to lynch Troxell. Three weeks ago he was taken from his home by a mob and hung to a tree until he was nearly dead, in order that he might confess to the burning of Bates' barn or tell who did it. He swore out warrants the next day for a number of prominent men in and around Steubenville, but he never appeared against them, and he was later placed in jail with Martin who had at first been charged with burning the Bates' barn.

While in jail each accused the other of burning the barn and of other barn burning. The Stuebenville people learned of these conversations between Martin and Troxell and believing them both guilty of destroying nearly a score of barnes in Wayne county during the past year, they determined to make short work of them.

No one has seen Troxell since he got breakfast Sunday, and it is believed he is making his way into the Cumberland mountains where pursuit would be well neigh impossible.

Monticello not being a telegraph station the above news reached here by mail.

INTERSTATE COMMERCE.

The Commission Meets in Chicago with Five Cases Awaiting Its Decision.

CHICAGO, Feb 18.—The Interstate Commerce commission began a session here yesterday. The members of the commission present are Wm. R. Morrison, Judson C. Clements and James D. Yeomans. The commission has five cases on its docket for investigation at the present hearing. Three of these are against the Milwaukee & St. Paul road, the complaints against it being connection with its system of making rates of grain and flour from Wisconsin, Southern Minnesota and Southern Iowa points, by which, the complainants allege, they are discriminated against in favor of such large milling centers as Minneapolis and Milwaukee. There is also a complaint against the Union Pacific road and one against the Santa Fe. That against the latter is for taking freight to Colorado points at a less rate than to intermediate points. The grounds for the complaint in the last-named case arose out of a rate war.

The first case called yesterday was that of the Listman Mills Co., La Crosse, Wis., against the Milwaukee & St. Paul road. The complaint in this case is based on a transit charge of 2½ cents per 100 pounds which the road imposes on wheat shipments and flour shipments out of La Crosse. This charge, the complaint alleges, is unreasonable and acts as a discrimination against it in its competition with such places as Minneapolis and Milwaukee.

The hearing of this case occupied the greater part of the day.

SOOTHING, healing cleansing, DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve is the enemy of sores wounds and piles, which it never fails to cure. Stops itching and burning. Cures chapped lips and cold sores in two or three hours. West's Drug Store.

Boody.

News is scarce. The roads are so bad it cannot come in.

The quarterly meeting at Blue Mound chapel was well attended.

Christian Schwab is visiting friends at Mascoutah, Ill.

In spite of the bad roads, the Boody Elevator company is getting some grain. Farmers must have money.

The funeral of Joy Ritter, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Ritter, was held at the German M. E. church last Sunday and was well attended by sympathizing friends.

W. P. Sleeter and J. S. Ritter will load their goods on Tuesday, February 25th, for Storm Lake, Iowa.

Quite a number of our citizens did business in Decatur yesterday.

The lumber for the residence of Prof. Stanley is here, and soon we will be proud of another mansion in our village.

There has been a great throng of people at the store of G. W. Sojand the last few days, getting bargains at his great reduction sale. His 5 and 10 cent goods are corkers.

Olive Weatherford is reported better this morning. X.

J. W. PIERCE, Republic, Ia., says: "I have used One Minute Cough Cure in my family and for myself, with results so entirely satisfactory that I can hardly find words to express myself as to its merit. I will never fail to recommend it to others, on every occasion that presents itself." West's Drug Store.

REV J. H. STEWART will leave Hoopeston in April for a three months' trip to the land of his birth—Dumfreesshire, Scotland.

Ballard's Horehound Syrup *is the best known Remedy for* Consumption, Coughs, Colds and all Throat and Chest trouble. Every bottle is guaranteed. It is the best remedy for children. Sold by J. W. Eichinger and C. F. Shilling.

GEORGETOWN is to have a new paper. Mr. Charles Crayton, of Potomac, will bring the new journal out next week.

ONE Minute Cough Cure touches the right spot. It also touches it at the right time if you take it when you have a cough or cold. See the point? Then don't cough. West's Drug Store.

AT least $200,000 of foreign capital has been loaned on farm property from Lincoln within a few months.

"GIVER me a liver regulator and I can regulate the world," said a genius. The druggist handed him a bottle of De Witt's Little Early Risers, the famous little pills. West's Drug Store.

MARTIN MORRISSEY, of Tremont, has been discharged from the Jacksonville insane asylum entirely cured.

A HIGH-LIVER with a torpid liver will not be a long liver. Correct the liver with DeWitt's Little Early Risers, little pills that cure dyspepsia and constipation. West's drug store.

FOUR "C"

The Only Known Specific for

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Never fails to Cure La Grippe.

If you catch a cold to-day or any other day, buy a bottle of FOUR "C," if it does not give satisfaction you can get your money back.

Try FOUR "C" for La Grippe in every form. Try FOUR "C" for cold in the head. Try FOUR "C" for children's croup. Try FOUR "C" for that harsh, hacking cough. Try FOUR "C" if you can't sleep from coughing and those sharp, shooting pains from cold Try FOUR "C" for Bronchitis. Try FOUR "C" for Consumption.

Remember, if it fails to give satisfaction the druggist is authorized to refund your money.

For sale by Armstrong Bros., C. F. Shilling, and W. H. Hubbard, druggists.

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Plate after plate of delicious, healthful pancakes—There's a pleasant breakfast for you!

Aunt Jemima's is the best material. Made of *Wheat, Corn and Rice*—the three great staffs of life. Beware of imitations. Sold only in *red packages*

HERE'S OUR GUARANTEE.

Buy a package of Genuine Aunt Jemima's Self-Rising Pancake Flour, and if you do not find it makes the best cakes you ever ate, return the empty box to your grocer, leave your name, and the grocer will refund the money and charge it to us.

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For Sale. For Rent. Wanted, Etc.

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WANTED.

WANTED—ROOFING CONTRACTS—Either slate, tin, galvanized steel, painted steel or "black diamond" prepared roofing, for all classes of buildings. Sheet metal job work executed in all its branches. For estimates, samples, etc., address Decatur Steel Roofing Co or Brush Bro's., phone 534. jan19-tf

WANTED—The people to know that they can buy first-class second-hand furniture and stoves of us at half-price. We have a splendid line of second-hand lounges and parlor suits newly upholstered and refinished, just as good as new, bedroom suits, chairs, etc., at very low prices. Chicago Second Hand Store, 259 East Main street, first door west of Grindol's marble shop. All kinds of furniture repairing done at short notice. april8-dtf

WANTED—An agent in every section to canvass. $4.00 to $5.00 a day made, sells at sight, also a man to sell Staple Goods to dealers, best side line $75.00 a month. Salary or large Commission made—experience unnecessary Clifton Soap & Manufacturing Co., Cincinnati, O. Oct. 8, 1896-dly

FOR SALE.

FOR SALE—The best house in Decatur for its size, 4 rooms, just finished, nicely papered, vestibule, pantry, closet and bath room, mantel and grate, well and cistern; or do you want a good six-room house, finished like the above that will be completed in about 30 days. I have two of each kind. For prices and terms see C. M. Barnett, C. L. Griswold & Co. Feb 14-dtf

FOR RENT—On or after March 15, a modern built cottage at 552 West Decatur street. All modern conveniences Bath room, closets, gas and gas range. Inquire 632, West Decatur street. Feb17-d6*

FOR SALE—Horses on easy payments. I have some good work horses, and a few good single drivers, which I will sell cheap, for cash, or on time, or on easy payments. One good work team for $25. Apply at my sale stable at west end of Eldorado street. E. B. DIMOCK. aug 13-d&wtf

FOR SALE—80 acres and 37½ acres, within five miles of Decatur. Gravel road all the way. Will be sold at a bargain. Possession given March 1st. It is known as the Barrackman land. Come and see me, over the Citizens' National Bank. H. H. WISE. Feb 10-dtf

FOR SALE—A good, first-class farm of 160 acres, five miles from the city, All kinds of fruit, good improvements.

ALSO, two residence properties in the city. All modern improvements. Will take a small house or one good lot as part payment. Property on good paved street, with sewerage and all improvements.

ALSO, A good clean stock of fresh groceries. Inquire at 1099 West Main street. Jan 24-dtm

BALED HAY, Baled straw, corn, oats, ground feed for sale at T. B. Doake's, No. 201 West Wood street. Jan 23-dtf

FOR SALE—A five-room house on good lot on North Union street. A very desirable residence property. This is a snap.

A 7-roomed house on good lot in the 200 block on West Cerro Gordo street Cheap.

Two vacant lots on North Union street, one block north of Marietta. These are bargains.

A 116 acre farm adjoining Elwin. Fair improvements.

A 50 26-100 acre farm in Blue Mound township. Good land. No improvements.

Residence property on West Main street, 8 room house with furnace; on street car line.

Residence on East William, 4 blocks east of Water street, 12 room house; very convenient; within two minutes' walk of high school, postoffice, court house or depot.

For terms call and see Bunn & Park, real estate, loans, etc., 152 East Prairie street. Jan21-dtf

FOR SALE—Eight hundred dollars buys three nice east front building lots, 40x182 each, up North Church street. One-half cash, balance easy. You can make 50 per cent on these lots by holding until spring. Come and let me show them. Peter H. Brueck, real estate broker, 255 North Main. nov15-dtf

FOR SALE—Good residence property on south side of Wood street, first block east of court house block. Seven rooms on 1st & 2d floors, basement, kitchen, dining room and cellar under entire house. First class Palace King furnace goes with house. Fifty-foot lot, with driveway extra. City water and cistern in house. On paved street and street cars pass door. W. F. Shade. dec20 dtf

FOR SALE—Nice lot, 40x182 on North Union street, fronts east. $375 buys it; owner wants money. This lot will be worth $500 in the spring. Have horse and buggy at office to show you the property. Peter H. Brueck, Real Estate Broker, 255 North Main street. Nov 15-dtf

FOR SALE—80x182 fine building lot, east front on North Church street; can be bought for $800 if sold this month, on account of closing partnership business. This is a snap: look it up. Peter H. Brueck, Real Estate Broker, 255 North Main street. Nov 15-dtf

FOR SALE—$50 cash and 25 monthly payments of $10 each, no interest, will buy a handsome building lot, east front, on North Church street. What more can you ask? Peter H. Brueck, real estate broker, 255 North Main street. nov15-dtf

If You Don't See What You Want Ask for It.

5, 10, 20, 30, 40 70, 120, 136, 217 acres one to four miles from Decatur, well improved, to trade for city property.

120, 160, 200, 320, 400 acres in Shelby county, to trade for city property.

120 acres near Blue Mound, 120 acres near Moweaqua; 120 acres in Douglas county, 567 acres in Vermilion county; 50, 80, 100, 320 acres in Fayette county to trade.

145 acres in Rock Island county, 240 in Hamilton county, to trade for stock of shoes or general merchandise.

80, 160 acres in Nebraska; 140, 160 acres in Kansas; 160 320, 640, 1280 acres in Kansas, 480 in Texas, for trade.

$10 000 residence on East Eldorado street.

$9,000, $6,000, $12,000, on North Water.

$5,0 0 on North Edward.

$3,500 on East Division.

$4,000, $8,000 on North Main; $7,000 East Wood, $2,500 North Clinton; $5,000 Central Avenue, $5,000 on Prairie; $3,200 West Main, $5,000, $5,000 in Riverside, $10,000, $15,000 business blocks, besides many smaller $1,000 prices and up—all for trade for land.

Saloon, two drug stores, hotel; three general stores; feed mill; creamery; box factory; cob pipe factory; candy store—to trade for land or city property. All are well located and paying well.

I also have some fine vacant lots to trade for improved or stock of goods

Can take a good horse and buggy in trade on a neat cottage, or will sell on payments.

These are but a few samples.

I can accommodate you with most any kind of trade you want.

Office hours, 8 a. m. to 8 p. m.

S. A. D. GRAY,
Jan 2-dtf 137 South Water street.

FOR SALE—Bed Room Sets, Parlor Suits, Chairs, Rockers, Cook Stoves, Heating Stoves, Couches, Bed Lounges, Iron Beds, Carpets, Baby Buggies, and Household Goods of every description. Also the entire stock of Harry Fisk's Furniture at the very lowest cash prices. Decatur Auction Company, 148 North Franklin street. Jan 4, 1896-dtf

FOR SALE—$300 will buy a well established, good paying business, in this city. Apply to or address Holman & Smith, 305 Arcade building Feb 1-d6

FOR SALE—A fine dwelling of nine room with all modern improvements, with goo barn. Will be sold at a bargain. Property located at 750 West Main. Call on Elijah Walk at 147 South Water. feb6 e3w

FOR SALE—20 horse-power boiler complete, with all trimmings, for sale at Field & Wilson's on North Main street. feb6 dtf

FOR RENT—Rooms, with or without board. All modern conveniences, on street car line and close to Square. Will also furnish board only, if desired. No 204 West Main. Feb15-d6*

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MONEY TO LOAN—In large or small amounts on good city real estate or farm lands, good notes or personal property. No delay. Money paid at once if title is good. All business strictly confidential. Office open every night. AARON SMICK, 146 East Main St. jan29-1m*

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LOANS—I have money to place on farms and city property not over 40 per cent of value at 5 per cent, on 5 years time, with privilege of payments after the second year. Also loan money for nearly all classes of loans. Call or address Samuel Mellinger, 216 North Main street. dec17 d6mo

MONEY TO LOAN—On real estate, farm machinery, live stock, household goods or good personal security Houses rented, rents and accounts collected. J. W. Redman, 149 S. Water St. Office hours, 8 a. m. to 7:30 p. m. First stairway north of Brunswick hotel. feb18-dtf

MONEY to loan in large and small amounts Loans made on live stock, farm implements, or household goods. All classes of loans negotiated on short notice. Loans on farms and city business property at 6 per cent interest. Apply to A. T. SUMMERS, No. 145 North Water street, over E. D. Bartholomew's Queensware house, Decatur, Ill. july15-d&wtf

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LOST, FOUND, ETC.

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LOST—Bunch of Keys, on heart-shaped silver ring, attached to a silver chain. Finder will be rewarded by leaving same at St. Nicholas Hotel. feb17-d1w*

MISCELLANEOUS.

COAL—$1.75 PER TON—Taylorville rocker screened, lump, clean, best coal sold. Try a load. V. H. PARKER & SON, sole agents, 601 N. Main street. Telephone, 55. feb18 d1w

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Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Mary Kramer, deceased.

The undersigned having been appointed administrator of the estate of Mary Kramer, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the court house in Decatur, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1896.

ROBERT A. KRAMER,
feb18 d3w Administrator.

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Homeseekers' Excursions on January 14th and 28th, and February 11th, and March 10th, 1896. The Indiana, Decatur & Western Railway will sell homeseekers' tickets various points in the west, south and southwest, at one fare plus $2 for the round trip. For tickets, rates and full information, call on or address any I., D. & W. Ry. ticket agent or JOHN S. LAZARUS, G. P. A. Indianapolis, Ind. jan14 d2m

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To Mary Keys and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June, A. D 1894, W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Lot 17 in block 9 of Smith & Co.'s addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1891, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Mary Keys and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June, 1896

P. H. HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade.

To B. F. Cloud and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June, A. D. 1894, W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county: Five feet off the south side of lot 5 in block 1 of S. K. Thompson's addition to the City of Decatur for the taxes assessed for the year 1892, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of B. F. Cloud, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 30th day of June 1896.

P. H. HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade

To Lucinda Carter and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described

You are hereby notified that a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June, A. D 1894, W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county Lot 1 in block 3 of southwestern addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1891 including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Lucinda Carter, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 30th day of June, 1896.

P. H. HUNT.
Assignee of W P. Shade

To Nora Parker and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois at the north outside door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June A. D 1894, W P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county, South side of lot "D" of Smith & Co 's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1891, including special taxes and assessments, interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Nora Parker, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June, 1896.

P. H HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade

To John A. Brown and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described;

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June, A. D 1894 W P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county The undivided half of 20 by 125 feet in the northwest corner of lot 3 in block 3 of the re-survey of blocks 1, 2, 3 and south half of 4, Rolling Mill 4th addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1893, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of John A. Brown, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June, 1896.

P. H. HUNT
Assignee of W. P. Shade

To Wm. Charles and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June A. D 1894, W P Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county. Lot 2 in block 6 of the re-survey of Block 6 of Reed & Co 's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1894, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Wm Charles and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June, 1896.

P. H. HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade

To H. S. Baker and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June A. D 1894, W. P Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county Lot 12 in block 3 of the re-survey, and subdivision of lots 2 3 and 4 in block 3 of Prather Adamson & Scather's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1893, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of H. S. Baker, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June 1896.

P. H. HUNT.
Assignee of W. P. Shade.

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THE DAY IN CONGRESS

Another National Holiday Proposed in the Senate.

MR. DAVIS ON THE MONROE DOCTRINE.

Consideration of the Agricultural Appropriation Bill in the House—Secretary Morton Again Denounced, with None to Defend Him.

SENATE.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 17.—In the senate to-day the senatorial election case from the state of Delaware was reported back from the committee on privileges and elections by Mr. Mitchell (rep., Ore.), its chairman, the report being in favor of the right of Mr. Dupont to the seat. The views of the minority, adverse to that proposition, are to be submitted to-morrow and the question is to be taken up for the action of the senate as soon as possible.

Another proposition for a national holiday was presented to-day by Mr. Hoar (rep., Mass.) in the form of a memorial. It is to be the 28th of June, and is to commemorate the first sighting of the North Atlantic coast by John and Sebastian Cabot in 1497. It was referred to the judiciary committee to which had already been referred Mr. Hill's bill for a "Jackson Day," the 15th of March.

The resolution heretofore reported from the committee on foreign relations for the application and enforcement of the Monroe doctrine, was taken up, so as to allow Mr. Davis (rep., Minn.), its author, to address the senate in support of it. He did so in a speech which occupied about an hour and a half in its delivery. He spoke of the conditions of our foreign relations having ameliorated within the last month, and said that if that amelioration was the result of any concession of the principles of the Monroe doctrine, the American people would rise up in condemnation of it. The United States, he said, under the Monroe doctrine and under the resolution, assumed no responsibility whatever for the conduct of South American or Central American states toward foreign nations, and none of these governments was to expect exemption from the chastisement of war by any foreign power. The intervention of the United States was to be when, and only when, the act threatened or proposed by a foreign power might be dangerous to the peace and safety of the United States.

These were the general lines on which Mr Davis' speech was constructed. Its delivery was listened to with great interest by senators, and by crowded galleries. No action was taken on the resolution

After the speech the military academy appropriation bill was gone through with—leaving pending at the adjournment an amendment offered by Mr. Vilas (dem., Wis.) providing for the appointment by the president of two additional cadets from each state

At 5:25 p. m. the senate adjourned until to-morrow.

HOUSE.

The house to-day resumed the consideration of the agricultural appropriation bill; and the attacks upon Secretary Morton and his policy filled in most of the time of the session. These led Mr. Pearson (rep., N. C.) to ask if there were not some one in the house to defend the secretary. "Is there not," he queried, "a democrat, republican or populist, who can stoop thus low?"

The committee recommendation dispensing with a chief clerk of the department was not agreed to, and the appropriation in the bill was restored. Amendments were agreed to as follows: Printing the book on "Diseases of the Horse;" reducing from $50,000 to $30,000 the amount for publishing farmers' bulletins; appropriating $15,000 for irrigation investigations.

The urgent deficiency bill was sent to conference.

A bill was passed providing for the examination and classification of certain lands in California.

A resolution was reported from the ways and means committee, and agreed to, calling on the secretary of the treasury for information in detail as to the proceeds of the sale of the bonds under the resumption act of 1875; of the redemption of greenbacks, national bank notes and treasury notes since 1879; the movement of legal tender in bank reserve and the treasury; what became of the proceeds of the bond sales and from what source the treasury derived the money to meet the excess of government expenditures over receipts.

When the house at 5:05 o'clock adjourned until to-morrow, the pending question was an amendment to the agricultural bill, providing for the purchase and distribution of seeds.

WILL ORDER ELECTIONS

For Senators in All the Districts Under the Law of 1885.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb., 18.—The democratic state central committee has been called together for Thursday next, to consider matters in connection with the recent apportionment decision, and it is generally understood that the committee will order elections for senators in all the districts under the law of 1885.

They hold that there are no de jure senators under the recent decision and in the absence of such that the people have a right to elect them. This will bring the question before the legislature itself and that body will have to decide who are entitled to seats.

Report of the Special Agent Sent to the Fiji Islands.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The president yesterday sent to the senate the report of the special agent sent to the Fiji islands to investigate the claims of B. H. Henry and other American citizens for compensation for lands wrongfully taken from them.

WON THE WORLD'S RECORD.

Cleveland's Salvation Army Sang Forty-Five Minutes on a Stretch.

Cleveland salvationists hold a world's record. Almost the full complement of the Guard street corps participated in a battle of song which was waged at the barracks the other evening, and the engagement resulted in a complete and decisive victory, says the Cleveland World. In fact, the local soldiers accomplished the heretofore unheard-of feat of singing 132 songs in 48 minutes, thus filching the laurels from the brows of the members of the Quincy corps of England, which until now has held undisputed possession of the championship honors by reason of a former achievement of singing 100 songs in 45 minutes.

The song service was preceded by the usual exercises, and the hall was very much crowded when Capt. De Garis started the old Salvation stand-by, "Glory to His Name." The vocalists were assisted by a cornetist and a piccolo player, and hymns followed one another in rapid succession. At times a soldier would give a solo in order to afford the chorus a slight respite, but these occasions were few and far between, and most of the numbers were given with a vigor that indicated the strength of the chorus.

The singers watched the clock anxiously, and as it became more and more apparent that the American, if not the world's, record was to be broken there was unbounded enthusiasm; some of the audience even became so interested that at times the entire room was a mass of shouting humanity, many of the spectators waving their handkerchiefs enthusiastically.

The contest commenced at 8:25 o'clock, and promptly at the expiration of the 45 minutes the contest closed with a volley that left no further doubt as to the enthusiasm of the audience. Although many of the singers had removed their wraps, and notwithstanding the fact that the windows were opened in order to afford better opportunities for ventilation, the perspiration stood in great drops upon the brows and cheeks of the singers long before the contest had been concluded. The new record will, of course, be published throughout the world and a challenge issued to any corps which may decide to compete with the Guard street vocalists.

A GREWSOME BANQUET.

Undertaker to Entertain Coroners, with Many Suggestions of the Trade.

Elisha W. Hinman, a Brooklyn undertaker, gave a supper the other night to the two Brooklyn coroners who have just come in, the two coroners who have just gone out of office and several physicians.

Prospect hall was engaged and the center piece was an immense floral coffin. Each guest as he entered the room had tied to his arm a piece of crepe and another long black streamer hung from the back of each chair.

The room was hung in black and the light was dim, just enough to enable the guests to see to eat. A band, which played nothing but dirges and funeral marches, was hidden behind a lot of floral "tributes." No one was allowed to speak above a whisper and the waitresses wore widows' caps.

The menu cards were decorated with skull and crossbones, and each article on them was made more appetizing by giving it a technical name familiar chiefly to undertakers, coroners and physicians. The toasts were highly suggestive of the callings of the gentlemen present.

Dr. Coombs spoke on "The Morgue;" Mr. Keane told "Some Peculiar Experiences of a Coroner," and the host responded to "One touch of nature makes the whole world kin." Mr. Hinman has given these banquets for many years, it is alleged, but so quietly that nothing has leaked out about them.

HAVE A WEALTHY FOLLOWING.

Reason for the Effort to Keep Mr. and Mrs. Ballington Booth in This Country.

Since the announcement of Mr. and Mrs. Ballington Booth's recall people who look upon the Salvation Army as a rabble of the low and ignorant, whose chief object in life is to make a noise in the streets, have been wondering why such strenuous efforts should be made to keep them in this country. Mrs. Booth has made many friends since she has been here, and her popularity has not been confined to the ranks of the army. She is a graceful speaker and a cultivated woman who has gifts that might have won fame for her had she gone on the stage. New York society tried to make a fad of her several years ago and she was invited to speak in drawing-rooms that never before had been invaded by the Salvation Army. She talked to the audiences in these drawing-rooms about the work of the army and she got their money to support it. Then Mrs. Booth went up to Vassar and told the young women there about her work and they organized an auxiliary league to assist her. She spoke before several clubs, always appearing in her army uniform. She is to-day the most popular officer in the army's ranks in this country, and she has done much to lend dignity to the work in which she is interested.

Pretty and Inexpensive Dinner Cards.

When expensive dinner cards are out of the question the young hostess need not despair. She may make very pretty ones herself. Dinner cards formed of a corner of an envelope may be made to serve a double duty. Cut off the corner of a note-paper envelope and decorate it as you please, printing the different names in gold, silver or sepia. After the dinner is over the homemade dinner card may be used as a book-mark.

Scare Cats for Birds.

The stuffed calico cats which are used as toys are put to a good purpose by some of the Maine farmers. They are placed in trees and are said to scare off predatory birds.

Their Impudence.

Certain young Indian gentlemen who are pursuing the study of the law in London were invited by the master of the Temple to pass an evening at his house. The time fixed for the assembling of the interesting party arrived, but nobody came. When nearly an hour had passed in fruitless waiting the master's lady rang for the maid—a new one, as it happened, not yet quite accustomed to the ways of the house. She entered in a state of considerable excitement. "Have none of the gentlemen arrived?" asked her mistress. "No," answered the domestic, "but a lot of impudent nigger minstrels has been a-ringin' at the bell, and I have been a-[illegible]

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REDEMPTION NOTICES.

To Mrs. Orr and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 30th day of June, A. D. 1894 W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county Lot 18 in block 1 of S K Thompson's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1892, including special taxes and assessments and interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of Mrs. Orr, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 30th day of June, 1896.

P. H. HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade

To A J Pinckham and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 30th day of June, A D. 1894, W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate situate in said Macon county: Lot 11 in block 1 of Watt & Co's addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1893, including special taxes and assessments, interest, penalties and costs, due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of A J. Pinckham, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 30th day of June, 1896.

P H HUNT.
Assignee of W. P. Shade.

To F. Zeigler and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described.

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state county and special taxes and assessments made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and and state of Illinois at the north outside door of the court house in the city of Decatur, in said county and state, on the 29th day of June, A D 1894 W P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county Lot 23 in block 3 of Montgomery & Shull's 2nd addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1893, including special taxes and assessments interest, penalties and costs due on the said described real estate and assigned the same to me and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of F Zeigler, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June 1896.

P. H. HUNT,
Assignee of W. P. Shade.

To S Krebbs and the owners and parties interested in the lands or lots hereinafter described:

You are hereby notified that at a sale of lands and town lots for state, county and special taxes and assessments, made in pursuance of law, by the county collector of the county of Macon and state of Illinois, at the north outside door of the court house, in the city of Decatur, in said county and state on the 29th day of June, A. D. 1894, W. P. Shade purchased the following described real estate, situate in said Macon county. Lot 5 in block 3 of the re survey of blocks 1, 2, 3, and south half of 4, Rolling Mill 4th addition to the City of Decatur, for the taxes assessed for the year 1893, including special taxes and assessments and interest penalties and costs due on the said described real estate, and assigned the same to me, and at the time the said described real estate was assessed as aforesaid it was taxed or assessed as aforesaid in the name of S. Krebbs, and that the time of the redemption thereof from said sale will expire on the 29th day of June, 1896.

P. H. HUNT.
Assignee of W. P. Shade.

SHERIFF'S SALE.

By virtue of an execution to me directed and delivered by the clerk of the Circuit Court of Macon county, Illinois, in favor of Wm. L. Johnson and against Charles T Kincaid and Juneatta Kincaid, I have levied upon the following described property, to-wit: Lot sixteen (16), Block eleven (11), Carver's addition to the City of Decatur, taken as the property of the said Charles T. Kincaid and Juneatta Kincaid which I shall offer at public sale at the north door of the court house in Decatur, in Macon county, in said state, on the 9th day of March, A. D. 1896, at 2 o'clock p. m., of said day, for cash in hand to satisfy said execution.

This 15th day of February, A. D. 1896.

J P. NICHOLSON,
Feb 15-d4d Sheriff Macon County, Illinois

Administrator's Notice.

Estate of Iris B. Hubert, Deceased.

The undersigned having been duly appointed administrator of the estate of Iris B Hubert, late of the county of Macon and state of Illinois deceased, hereby gives notice that he will appear before the county court of Macon county, at the April term, on the first Monday in April next, at which time all persons having claims against said estate are notified and requested to attend for the purpose of having the same adjusted. All persons indebted to said estate are requested to make immediate payment to the undersigned.

Dated this 18th day of February, 1896.

JOSEPH S. BERRY, Administrator.
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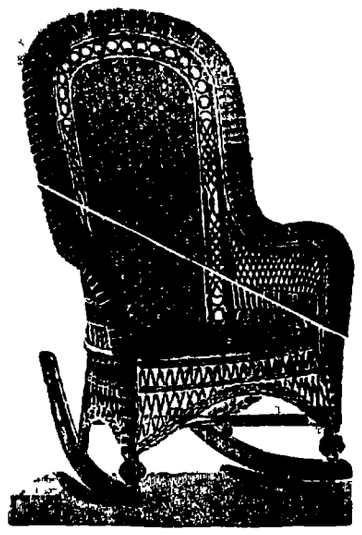

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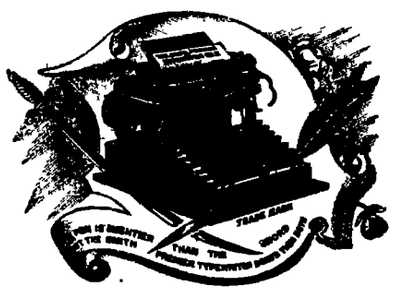

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ALASKA'S GOLD FIELDS.

Vast Auriferous Deposits in the Yukon River Country.

Formation of a New Transportation Company Which Will Make the Territory Accessible to Miners and Prospectors—A Miner's Story.

[Special Chicago Letter.]

Capt. D. M. Swain, master of the steamer Borealis Rex, which plies on the Illinois river, is interested in a company which will operate a line of steamers on the Yukon river, Alaska, to the gold fields. The route from Seattle, Wash., to Juneau, Alaska, is now covered by the vessels of the Pacific Coast Steamship company. From Juneau the Yukon Transportation company will have two separate routes to Circle City, the objective point. The freight route, by way of the Berhing sea and mouth of the Yukon, is 4,780 miles; the passenger route by way of the Chilkoot pass and the source of the Yukon is 2,093—the distances computed from Seattle.

This enterprise is advanced to facilitate traffic into the gold regions of the far north. Intercourse with miners who have made their fortunes in the Yukon country first drew Mr. Swain's attention to this field, and he is much interested in its resources and possibilities, and has made a thorough study of the country. He is assured of the navigability of the Yukon and its tributaries, and says if transportation facilities for passengers and supplies are made adequate and rapid, the country will develop wonderfully.

Alaska contains 617,000 square miles and has an extent of over 1,000 miles north and south and over 2,000 miles east and west. A range of high mountains parallel with the Pacific coast, about 60 miles inland, divides the country into two unequal parts—the narrow coast strip, which has a mild, moist climate, and the interior Yukon basin where humidity is an unknown quality. Zero weather makes one less uncomfortable than 40 degrees above zero in the central states. The coast district is easily accessible, being reached at all seasons of the year by ocean vessels, and is well known, being visited by many tourists. The Yukon river basin is accessible less than half the year and then with great difficulty.

FIVE FINGER RAPIDS OF THE YUKON.

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The Yukon river basin, comprising more than two-thirds of the entire territory of Alaska, contains over 500,000 square miles, and is one of the most remarkable regions in the world. The climate is dry and healthful and has two seasons—four months of warm weather, the mining season, when the sun shines 20 hours a day, and eight months of dark, cold winter, when all mining operations cease.

The discoveries of the last two seasons in this new country show that it is probably the largest and richest placer gold field in the world, while all along the route, from the source to the mouth of the river, the close observer can see vast treasures of coal, quartz, marble, iron, copper, etc., only waiting for capital to develop the country and furnish means of transportation to bring them within reach of the outside world. Although a hasty exploration of the numerous tributaries of the river during the short season has proved that every stream, large or small, is gold bearing; yet that part of the field thus far developed is of insignificant area. All streams carry flour gold, which increases in its coarseness as the river is ascended Thus it is evident that the surrounding gulches must furnish exceedingly rich diggings. All these gold-bearing streams are navigable for suitably constructed boats, and the territory cut by the waters of Alaska is almost unlimited. One hundred thousand men could prospect the Yukon basin and be lost to one another.

During the two months last summer the few hundred men in the diggings took out over $1,000,000 worth of gold. Miller creek, a gulch four miles long, alone produced $350,000 in 50 days, and but few of the claims were developed. Not a few men took out $5,000 and $10,000 during the season, and some took out $35,000, and one man from Milwaukee $80,000.

It is asserted there is a bright future for the entire Yukon basin as a mining region, not only in the auriferous deposit, but in the vast leads of quartz found everywhere.

But the gold and other minerals are not the only wealth that has remained hidden in this ice-bound treasure-box for ages. The streams contain salmon and other fish in untold quantities. Salmon canning, yet unattempted on the Yukon, could be made exceedingly profitable, and, together with the rich quartz, would furnish a valuable cargo for freight boats returning from taking supplies up the river. The annual output of furs is worth hundreds of thousands of dollars, and for years to come will continue to be a source of big revenue to any company giving its attention to that trade.

The Yukon is the second largest river in the world, being next to the Amazon in size. It is 60 miles wide at its mouth, and at a distance of 1,500 miles from its mouth has a width of seven to ten miles. The river is too shallow for ocean steamers, but is navigable the entire length for flat-bottom river boats of 400 to 500 tons burden. The navigable tributaries of the Yukon are the Lewis, Pelly, Stewart, Tahkenna, Hootalinqua, Porcupine, Tannana, Avik, White, Birch and the Salmon, and many others, to the extent of several thousand miles. Prospectors can penetrate by boat the most remote parts of the gold fields without hardships, get supplies without fail, work during the entire mining season, and coming out at the close of the summer spend their winter in milder climates. All this will be made possible by the line of boats now in contemplation.

Until two years ago comparatively few miners ever visited this region of wealth where nature had been so lavish. In 1893 about 300 men went, in 1894, 600 entered, and last year over 3,000. If proper transportation facilities are furnished and made known in 1896 20,000 probably would be a low estimate of the number that will seek riches in this new country. The movement toward the coast, on the way of their long journey, would remind the Californians of '49.

The Seattle Post-Intelligencer is authority for the statement that the mines were short 2,000 tons of provisions this year, and that many were on the verge of starvation, with money to burn in their pockets. This shows the vast importance of a line of freight steamers.

The company now forming in Chicago proposes to put one or two large freighters on the Yukon, to run from its mouth to Circle City, the supply point for the bold fields; five swift launches of 75 to 125 passengers capacity to ply on the upper course of the river to carry passengers in and out, and to take prospectors and supplies up tributary streams.

The change in conditions and prices to be brought about by the company is summed up in their prospectus as follows:

	Now.	Proposed.
Freight rates, per ton.	$150 to $250	$50 to $75
Pass'g'r rates per head	100 to 125	90
Time for round trip...	65 days	11 days
Hardships and danger.	Num'r'us	None

The company will be strictly a transportation company, without any trading interests to protect.

Mr. C. K. Zilly, of Seattle, Wash., in an interview some few weeks ago said:

"I have been working in a mine on Mastodon creek, and I should judge of Birch creek. There are 54 claims on Mastodon creek, and I should judge 20 or 25 are opened up. This is the first season on that creek, and I estimate that the miners took out about $150,000 to $200,000 of gold. It is all placer mining. They began early in June, and worked until about September 10, when the night frosts began to interfere. It is a fact little known that one company has been operating a mine on Ungla island, the output of which is $60,000 per month."

"Did you bring any dust?"

"Yes, a little. But I didn't work any claim for myself. I worked for wages—$15 a day. No; I wouldn't advise anybody to go there unless he has money. He ought to have at least $500 so that he can get out if he strikes bad luck."

Provisions are not plentiful and many miners had to quit early and return to Seattle. On one boat 200 men left at the same time after 50 days work. There was not a man that did not have money, the entire 200 averaging $1,000 each. Two had over $20,000, and the sacks ranged from that figure down to $1,000. If these men could have staid 50 days more they would have doubled their wealth. With the advent of the boats of the Yukon Transportation company, it will be made, possible for more days of labor, plenty of provisions, no danger in the trip, no exposure or hardships—in reality a pleasant summer's jaunt.

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A certain married lady of Hope, Ill. sat up till 12 o'clock the other night waiting for her husband to come home At last, weary and worn out with waiting, she went to her bedroom to retire and found the missing husband there fast asleep. Instead of going downtown, he had gone to his room. She was so mad that she wouldn't speak to him for a week.

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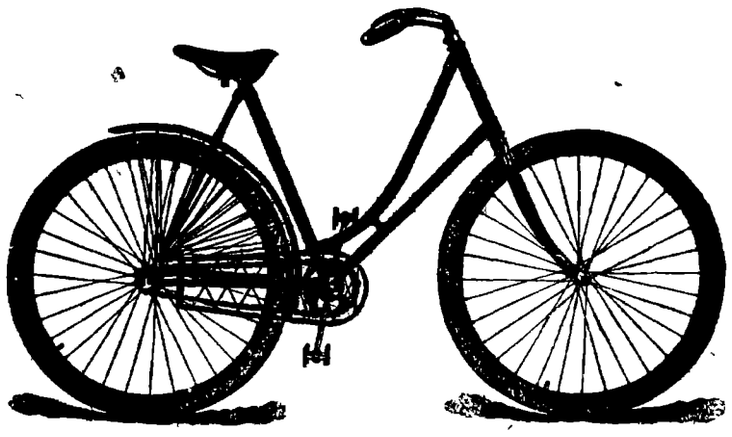

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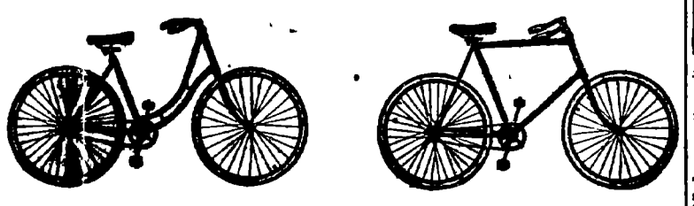

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Lot of Children's Cloaks worth 6.00, at	3 00
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ANNOUNCEMENT.

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WE are authorized to announce ALBERT S. MORGAN as a candidate for the office of Township Collector, subject to the action of the Republican Convention.

SOCIETY MEETINGS.

P. O. S. of A.—Regular meeting of Washington Camp, No. 57, P. O. S. of A., at their hall, 232 North Main street, Tuesday evening, Feb. 18, at 7:30 sharp. All members are requested to be present. Special exercises in commemoration of the birth of Washington. R. L. DIXON, Sec.

ROYAL NEIGHBORS.—Regular meeting of Bay Leaf Camp, No. 29, R. N. of A., in K. of P. hall in Opera Block, this evening at 7:30. All members urged to be present. ETTA ANDREWS, Rec. ELLA MILLER, Oracle.

G. A. R.—Regular meeting of Dunham Post, No. 141, this Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. All comrades are requested to be present. I. N. MARTIN, Com. NORMAN PRINGLE, Adjt.

I. O. O. F.—Regular meeting of Decatur Lodge No. 65, this Tuesday, evening, at 7 30 o'clock, at Odd Fellow's hall, corner Main and William streets. Visiting brethren cordially invited to meet with us. Work in the first degree. J. H. GREGOR, N. G. I. N. MARTIN, Sec.

LOCAL NEWS.

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YOU pay a little more for Sleeth's portraits but——

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REMEMBER to take dinner and supper at the Presbyterian church Thursday, Feb. 20th. 18-d2t

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THESE cold nights the city prisons are popular with the bums. Sunday night there were 25 sleepers in the stations.

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STRENGTHENING plasters, cut price, two for 25 cents, West's drug store.

LAST night the Fanny Rice company was greeted by a large company at the Grand, when "At the French Ball" was presented. It was a comedy with a moral, giving Miss Rice ample scope to display her talent as an ideal feminine entertainer. She succeeded admirably, and was given very clever support.

NO BETTER soft coal in this market than Lincoln or Riverton. Buy it of M. F. Metz. Personally he can be found at the yard office, 800 North Broadway For Broadway office, Old Phone, 433; New Phone, 435. Also leave orders with T. W Cann, 628 North Main, or with Harry Metz, at King & Metz' drug store. Hard coal, all sizes, always in stock at market prices. Nov. 11-dtf

For Sale—A Big Bargain.

The property at the southeast corner of Main and Wood streets—first property south of Imboden's meat market—suitable for dwelling, boarding house or business property. Must be sold, and will go at a great sacrifice. Apply to W. Z. WALMSLEY, 10-dtf over Cheap Charley's Store.

JOHN HACKETT, a farm hand near Lincoln, was struck by a falling limb while cutting wood and badly injured.

TESTIMONIAL CONCERT.

Debut of Miss Nellie Moore, the Gifted Pianist, Last Night.

Last night the First Congregational church was crowded on the occasion of the testimonial concert given to Miss Nellie Moore, the talented pianist, who made her debut in public. It was an audience representing in large numbers the musically cultured people of the community, all of whom were splendidly entertained by the rendition of this program:

"Rigolette" ..... Liszt
Miss Nellie Moore.
"Salve Regina" ..... Henshaw
Mrs. Delia B. Sholem.
"Serenade" (Op. 17) ..... Wieniawski
Miss Mary Lena Nelson.
(a) "Lay Thy Cheek on Mine" ..... Jensen
(b) "Love's Proving" ..... Lohe
Joseph B. Barnaby.
Invitation to Dance (two pianos) ..... Weber
Misses Moore and Whitmer.
"Stoccato Polka" ..... Mudden
Mrs. Delia B Sholem.
(a) Waltz (Op. 34) ..... Moszkowski
(b) "Song of the Brook" ..... Sack
(c) "Pasquade" (Caprice) ..... Gottschalk
Miss Nellie Moore.
"Aria" (Don Carlos) .....
Joseph B. Barnaby.
"Valse de Concert" ..... Wieniawsk
Miss Nellie Moore.
Accompanists—Mrs. H. W. Bartholomew, Miss Adele Lower.

Miss Moore's artistic work was a most agreeable surprise to those who had never before heard her, and to those who had it was a satisfaction and pleasure to witness her pronounced success. She is a mistress of the piano. Her work shows what can be accomplished by careful training and practice in developing natural gifts. Miss Moore received an enthusiastic ovation which was prolonged, voicing the unanimous appreciation and good wishes of her hundreds of friends. Every member earned an encore, and all on the program were complimented for their excellent work. The proceeds will be about $200, which fund will be used by Miss Moore in taking a course of instrumental music in notes at Chicago.

M'KINLEY CLUB COMMITTEES.

Selections Made by Major J. G. Badenhausen, the Club President.

In obedience to the instruction of the members of the McKinley Republican Club at the meeting held at the tabernacle last Friday night, the president of the club, J. G. Badenhausen, has appointed the following committees:

Executive Committee—W. F. Calhoun, J. M. Clokey, R. P. Lytle.

Finance Committee—M. F. Kanan, D. S. Shellabarger, C. M. Imboden.

These committees will act for the interest of the McKinly club and general Republican success.

The New Buildings.

The office rooms in the new Millikin Bank building will probably be completed and ready for occupancy in about three weeks. The plastering has been finished and the workmen are now engaged in doing the finishing work. The offices will be very handsome when finished.

The Lyon building on North Main street is nearly completed. The floor is being laid in the store room on the lower floor, and when the window glass is put in the room will be finished.

The work on the interior of the new Transfer house will be finished in a few days. The house is beautifully decorated inside and when illuminated with the electric lights it looks quite inviting. Manager Ferguson has not yet decided when he will have a formal opening of the house, but it will probably be some time this week.

Dr. Chenoweth expects to have part of his building at the corner of North Main and William streets ready for the tenants in two or three weeks.

Al. Morgan for Collector.

In compliance with the wishes of his many friends, and because he wants the office, Al. S. Morgan has decined to become a candidate once more for the office of township collector, subject to the decision of the Republican convention. Al has served the people faithfully and efficiently for two terms, and would be pleased to have his friends aid him in his effort to secure a renomination. He has made one of the best collectors the township has ever had, and has ever been active in all honorable ways to aid the party organization in winning success at the polls.

News at Pana.

Pana was awarded the fifth annual picnic of the Modern Woodmen of central and southern Illinois, at a meeting held at Litchfield Friday for that purpose. The picnic will be held on the 6th day of next August. Centralia, Mount Olive, Litchfield, Hillsboro, Raymond, Girard and Vandalia competed for it.

The gold discovered on the Baker farm, south of Pana, a few days ago, turns out to be a "yellowish mica, containing nothing of value," so pronounced by Prof. A. W. Palmer, of the chemical laboratory of the Champaign University.

A Surprise Party.

Last evening a surprise party was given Mrs. John Wilson at her home, 418 East Prairie street. The event was to celebrate Mrs. Wilson's birthday. Those present were William Hamsher, D. M. Garver, Samuel Mount, W. Lowry, William Ullrich, William Light, William Penniwell, George Melhorn, Charles Hamman and their wives; Mesdames Alexander, Chandler, Johnson, Samuel Jones, Frank Rehling, W. Morthland; Misses Idd Lukabaugh, Alma and Myrtle Waggy, Mary Wilson, Edith Light, and Messrs. Oscar Elliott and Earl Waggy.

PERSONAL MENTION.

C. A. Pollock went to Peoria this morning on business.

George A. Stadler went to Fairmont, Ill., this morning.

Miss Lydia Ott is ill at her home, No. 159 West Jefferson street.

Miss Jessie Abel is quite sick at her home on West Macon street.

Rev. J. W. Crane left this morning for Shelbyville on a business trip.

Mrs. S. S. Ewing has returned home from a visit in Warrensburg, Mo.

Miss Rosa Downey, of Westfield, is in the city visiting Dr. Pierce-Collins.

Miss Lillian Taylor, of Lafayette, is in the city on a visit to Miss Ella Race.

Mrs. L. A. G. Shoaff, of Paris, is in the city on a visit with friends and relatives.

Miss Lydia Doeschlein, of West Jefferson street, is confined to her home by illness.

Mrs. J. H. Gilroy, of Canton, Ill., is in the city visiting W. C. Dimock and family.

Rev. T. D. Weems is reported seriously ill with bronchial trouble at his home at Mahomet.

James, the son of Rev. and Mrs. D. F. Howe, is ill at his parents' home on West Main street.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Robert S. Wood, in Whitmore township, on Saturday, February 15—twin daughters.

Mrs. H. H. Satterlee, of Rochester, N. Y., who has been in the city on a visit to her daughter, Mrs. O. E. Curtis, left yesterday for her home.

Mrs. Robert Henson is seriously ill at her home in the northwest part of the township, and owing to the fact that she is 82 years old, her condition is considered critical.

John H. P. Voorhies and wife are in Decatur to visit the family of his brother, William Voorhies, of West William street. Mr. and Mrs. John Voorhies are on their way home to Denver, Colo., after a visit in Washington, D. C.

George S. Lyons is in Chicago to attend the meeting of the executive committee of the State Lumber Dealers' Association and prepare a report to be submitted to the Association which will meet on Wednesday for a two days' session.

STILL ON TRIAL IN COURT.

The Dish-Washing Machine Matter a Knotty Affair—Testimony.

The case of Mrs. Josephine Cochrane vs. F. B. Tait is still engaging the attention of Judge Vail in the circuit court. Mrs. Cochrane is the Shelbyville lady who invented the machine and came here in 1893, making arrangements with Mr. Tait by which he was to manufacture the machines to the number of 400, and keep at least six persons out on the road to effect sales of the machines. Mrs. Cochrane in her evidence testified that she had personally made contracts for these machines—one at the Tremont House, another at the the Palmer House and another to the W. C. T. U., all in Chicago, and that a Mr. Wright made a contract for another at a Chicago restaurant. Another machine was placed in Indiana, but it appears that of the 400 machines agreed to be made only two were manufactured, and neither, it is alleged, proved satisfactory.

The defense claim that it was extremely difficult to push the machines, because they would not do the work claimed by the inventor. The whole in controversy is considerably complicated, and the lawyers and judges are kept busy keeping the points in line with the law.

Went to Sullivan.

Among those who went to Sullivan this morning to attend the district lodge of Good Templars were L. C. Peck and Miss Ritchie, of Warrensburg; Miss Anna Bixler, Miss Maud Benton, Miss Anna Stoll and Ed Guntmun, of Forsythe; Miss Myrtle Mills, Miss Lucy Johnson, Miss Orpha Troutman, Miss Ida Miller, Will Yantis, Miss Nell Dixon, Miss Nettie Gaddis and A. F. Smith, of Decatur.

Proud of His Dog.

M. W. Stoddard is rapidly completing preparations for his journey overland through the south and west. He will start April 1st and will be gone six to eight weeks. He has secured a registered bull terrier from Chicago, and is now putting it in training. M. W. will make the journey for the benefit of his health. He will go as far west as Colorado.

Roby a Delegate.

Attorney Frank C. Roby, a resident of the First congressional district of Chicago, has been elected a delegate to the Republican national convention. Attorney Roby is a son of President K. H. Roby, of the National bank of Decatur, and has been quite active in politics since locating in Chicago.

Some Snow.

There was a light fall of snow last night which interfered but little with the movement of the trolley cars. The sunshine af to-day has caused most of the beautiful to disappear.

REGULAR meeting of Wheelmen's club to-night. Special business.

CYCLING NEWS.

Over 1133 Different Names of Wheels in the Wide, Wide World.

The *Referee*, of Chicago, publishes each week a register of the names of the different wheels. So far the list numbers 1,133, with 99 duplicates.

The most notable thing at the recent cycle shows was the entire absence of gear cases. Not one could be found and it seems as though some manufacturers had lost the golden opportunity of being a year ahead of his competitors. Pedals, handle bars and saddles received a large amount of attention and many improvements were shown. Tires were practically the same as in '95, with two or three puncture proof ones.

Some people like to refer to cycling as a craze or popular fad, which is possibly true in regard to a great many riders, but could you call it a craze which impels a wheelman to ride all day through the hot sun and dust and perhaps get caught in a rain storm, and then be ready to do the same thing over the very next opportunity? No; that is genuine love of the sport, and it will never die out as long as health and strength remain.

Next to a thoroughly good wheel comes a congenial riding companion. Many a long and otherwise monotonous trip may be brightened by one or more good fellows who know how to take a joke and will stand by you in the hour of a punctured tire.

SCORES TO VISIT SCHRADER.

Many Claim to Have Been Benefitted by the "Healer."

A telegram states thrt fully 100 strangers made a pilgrimage to Lincoln Monday to visit August Schrader, the alleged divine healer, who has been established there since last Wednesday. He came at the solicitation of a local invalid, and his fame has spread abroad, for delegations from Springfield, Bloomington and nearer points, as well as some from St. Louis, have flocked to see him. What powers Schrader may have cannot be shown, but of those who have visited him many claim he has helped them, and some who come on crutches left without them. One man from Springfield tore a plaster cast from his knee, which he claimed to need no more, and a woman from there claims her sight to be returning to her since the laying on of the healer's hands.

Reserve Your Seat Tomorrow

For the Updike lecture at the Tabernacle Friday evening, Feb. 21.

EVANGELIST J. V. UPDIKE

Is a man of national reputation. He has had 20,000 conversions. He will speak here on "The Blues," an interesting, laughable, always popular lecture Admission only 15 cents. Reserved seats free at Otto E. Curtis & Bro. Plat open at 8 o'clock to-morrow morning.

The Flints.

A hearty welcome will be given the Flints, hypnotists, who will return to the Grand for three nights, commencing Monday evening next. Nothing so genuinely and infectiously funny as their performance has been seen since their departure, and the laughter loving will gladly welcome them. Miss Flint is said to have improved much this season, and may be counted upon to captivate all The prices will remain at 15, 25 and 30c, and Monday evening a lady will be admitted free with each 30 cent ticket reserved at advance sale.

DIED.

At the home of his brother, Amos Spencer, on the old Daly farm, four miles west of Decatur, of consumption, February 18, at 8 a. m., Bert Spencer.

The funeral will be held to-morrow at the Sharon church.

THERE will be an Irish comedy at the Grand to-morrow night.

Two Lives Saved.

Mrs. Phoebe Thomas, of Junction City, Ill., was told by her doctors that she had Consumption and that there was no hope for her, but two bottles Dr King's New Discovery completely cured her and she says it saved her life. Mr Thos. Eggers, 139 Florida St., San Francisco, suffered from a dreadful cold, approaching Consumption, tried without result everything else, then bought one bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery and in two weeks was cured. He is naturally thankful. It is such results, of which these are samples, that prove the wonderful efficacy of this medicine in Coughs and Colds. Free trial bottles at King & Hubbard's Drug Store. Regular size 50c and $1.00. em

Highest of all in Leavening Power.—Latest U. S. Gov't Report

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THE GOLD RES

About Eighty Millions Paid in to the Treas

AGAINST HEAVY DAILY WITH

By Speculators for Sale to Bor as a Premium—Cleveland at the Retirement of Gr backs and Treasury No

CHICAGO, Feb. 19.—A W special says:

About eighty million dollar been paid on the $100,000,000 n out of the $111,000,000 called fo terms of sale. Less than fif dollars has been counted into serve, and official figures do n anywhere near the $80,000, tioned, but treasury experts that the amount is already on bond account in the sever itories designated by Secret lisle. It is thought the wl will practically be closed by th the month. The American bank vestors are not accustomed to pa bonds on the installment plan ring to do that sort of busi cash basis and be through with then there is a pecuniary a in paying for the bonds at sulting from a saving of intere

Just how the gold reserve w when the bonds are all pa purely a matter of speculati mates ranging from $115,00 $130,000,000, speculators withd from $1,500,000 to $2,500,000 of the subtreasury and sellin bond buyers at a premium, an likely to continue for a longer.

When the bond proceeds ar the available cash reserve proximate two hundred and five million dollars, of whic thing like $165,000,000 to $17 will be greenbacks and treasur This immense sum will be lo practically retired from circ and held there undistured, for mental revenues and expenditu now running very nearly eve much this will be offset by in national bank circulation can be stated definitely, but it is about ten million dollars.

President Cleveland is quote New York friends as viewing jected forcible retirement of backs and treasury notes with satisfaction and as saying he not care if circumstances shou pel the piling up of $300,000,000 000,000 of them in the treasur,

Senator Teller said to a con friend yesterday afternoon t house tariff bill is "as dead as herring," and that even if he three colleagues, Carter, Dub Cannon, were to change fron were other silver republica would take their places. "The solutely no chance for tariff tion this season," he adde aspect of the situation is being fully accepted by many of the who thought up to a day or that the silver republicans wou nally yield to the party lash in ter.

COLORED CITIZENS P

Against a Flagrant Violation of Rights Bill.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. Bethel M. E. church, Monda a large number of colored citi to take action on the condu southern railroad toward Mr Thomas Fox, a colored wor has attained considerable re as an elocutionist in this city.

Just before the holidays started to the Atlanta expo take part in a colored congre took the Queen & Crescent roa Chattanooga, and when a fe from the city the conductor of the rule which prohibits persons from riding in th coach, and instructed her to the "Jim Crow" car. She refu the crew put her and her ba the train.

The passengers from the monstrated and she was all get back on the train. She the platform for a short dista was compelled by the cold to uge in the coach which is set the colored people.

A damage suit is talked of another meeting of the churc held Thursday evening to take action.

A Hole Knocked in His He

METROPOLIS, Ill., Feb. 19.—T ing Fred Schrand, a draymas city, fell beneath a moving fre His head was struck by a be brake bar, knocking a hole thr skull as large as a half dollar. tor removed five pieces of the skull from the membrane of ranging in size from a pea to quarter of a dollar. The woun is still alive, but his recovery probable.

Voluntary Retirement

HARPER, Kan., Feb. 19.—T holders of the Citizens' State Harper served notice on depo day of their withdrawal from All depositors will be paid in bank was established as a pri in 1882, incorporated three under the firm name of Ellis an 1 in 1891 as the Citizens' Sta